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Gulfview open house

Gulfview Elementary at 6590 Lakeshore Rd. will host an open house today, 8-10 p.m., for parents of students in grades K-5. Parents may bring children's supplies to the open house.

Football registration

The Lakeshore Youth Athletic Complex will host football registration today, Thursday, Aug. 7, at the Lakeshore Football field from 5:30-7 p.m. For more information, call Teri at 463-0515 or 671-9120.

Off-site pet adoptions

The Waveland Animal Shelter and Friends of the Animal Shelter in Hancock County will host off-site pet adoptions this Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Waveland Kmart parking lot.

Benefit account

Donations may be dropped off at any Hancock Bank branch for the children of the late Kimberly Allen.

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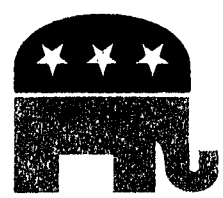
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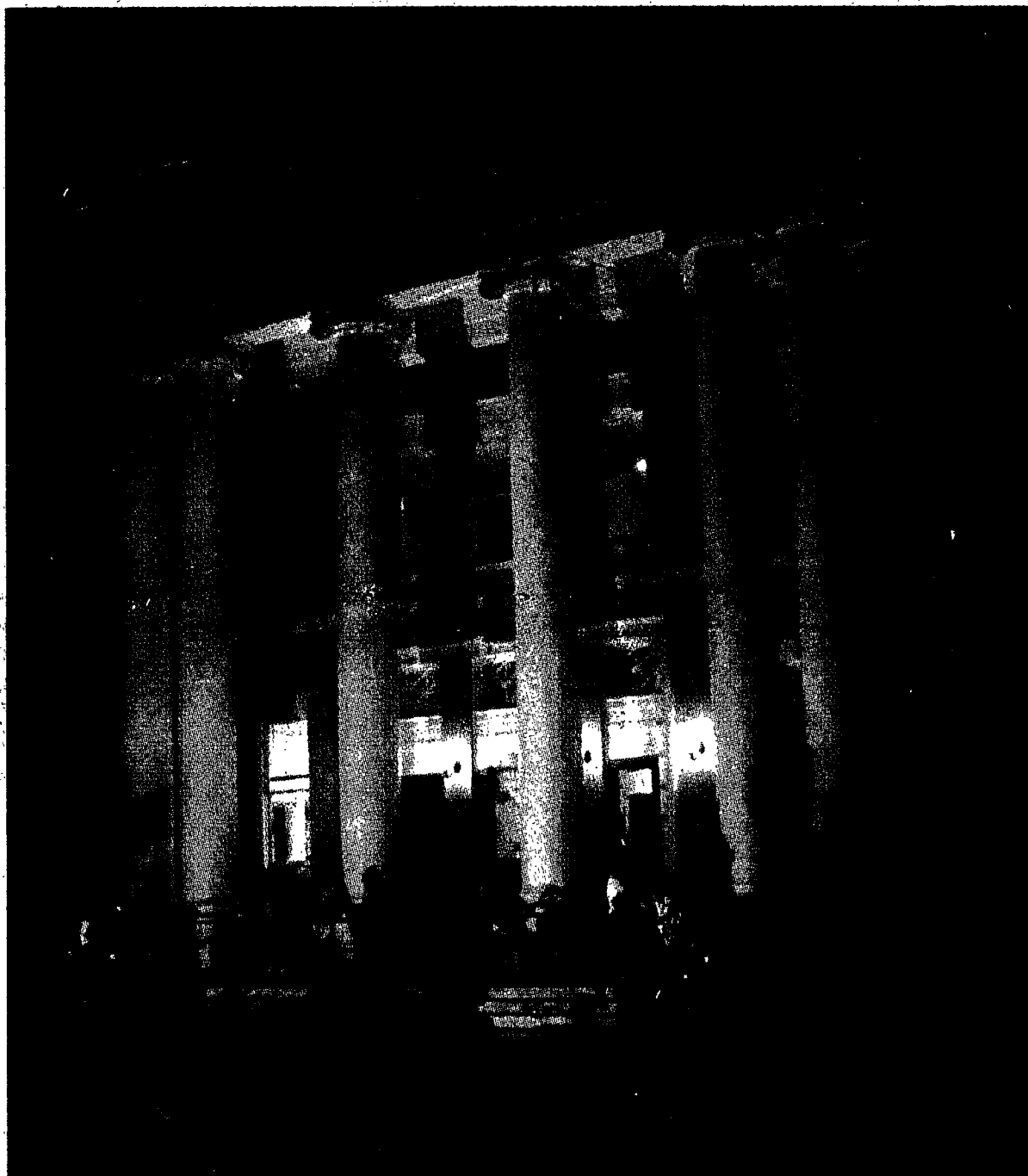
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Downtown Bay St. Louis takes on a carnival air Tuesday evening as a crowd gathers in front of the Hancock County Courthouse to hear election results.

Ladner vs. Kopf in run-off



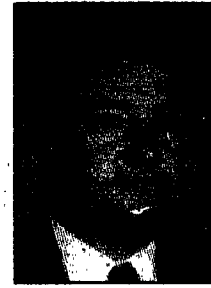
Mike Ladner

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Serious campaigning lies in store for two Democrats in the race for the Hancock County Superintendent of Education. Incumbent Mike Ladner and David Kopf

will go head-to-head once again during the Aug. 26 run-off.

When ballots were counted after Tuesday's primary elections, Kopf captured 1,793 votes while Ladner won 1,791. Myrna L. Bourgeois, also



David Kopf

FUN-OFF--PAGE 2A

Democratic voter turn-out produces run-off races

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Despite a relatively quiet few weeks leading up to Tuesday's primary elections in Hancock County, voters turned out to the polls in force, re-nominating incumbent Sheriff Steve Garber and ousting current District 1 Supervisor Lyonie "Jeep" Ladner.

A total of 7,669 voters cast their ballots in the Democratic primary; and nearly 1,900 in the Republican primary.

"I think it was good for the Democrats," Lila Taylor of the Hancock Circuit Clerk's office said yesterday. "It was about a third of the registered voters - and we usually run at only about 23 or 24 percent."

And the turn-out was beneficial to most of the incumbents, including Garber, who earned 3,865 votes in unofficial tallies to take the Democratic nomination. Garber had faced stiff competition from former sheriff Ronald A. "Ronnie" Peterson and the Bay St. Louis Police Department's Chief Investigator Thomas J. "Tom" Burleson.

Peterson earned 2,961 Tuesday evening; Burleson, 666.

Garber will now face Republican candidate Richard "Ricky" Fayard in the Nov. 4 general election. Fayard, who ran unopposed, earned 1,515 votes Tuesday.

Ladner, however, lost the Democratic nomination for his District 1 supervisor seat to David Yarborough. Yarborough scored 907 votes to Ladner's 660.

Most of the other incumbents

RACES--PAGE 2A

Bay, Waveland annexation bids head for court

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

An Oct. 13 annexation hearing has been set for Bay St. Louis in Chancery Court - two days before Waveland's annexation bid gets its first hearing in the same court.

The neighboring cities are in a race to add territory along Hwy. 603 to their boundaries, with overlapping requests that lead all the way to prime undeveloped property at

the intersection of Interstate 10.

Chancery Court Judge Jim Persons is set to preside in the proceedings - although it's more likely that an out-of-county judge will be assigned to that role before the hearing. Local judges often ask to be spared from the politically volatile job of ruling in annexation cases.

Tuesday night, Bay St. Louis City Council held a closed door

meeting with its annexation consultant, Mike Slaughter, and the legal team assembled for the annexation lawsuit.

Bay officials adopted an annexation ordinance on June 17, five weeks before Waveland officials scrambled in response to attempt a similar annexation. One key difference is that the Bay's ordinance would sweep in several developed subdivisions, while Waveland's

would take in mostly undeveloped land.

Both want frontage along the west side of Hwy. 603, and both want to add the highly developable property at Interstate 10. Both cities have sued each other to accomplish their annexations.

The upcoming Bay hearing theoretically could result in a judge

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Annexation -- Bay, Waveland get day in court

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approving that city's annexation ordinance — that's only if no opposition appears at the hearing. And that's highly unlikely, given the Waveland annexation attempt and other potential opposition from residents or other governmental authorities.

Waveland officials had contended publicly that because they filed their annexation ordinance in court two days before the Bay did so, Waveland would have the legal advantage to "go first" in the proceedings. However, the Bay's legal council termed that position "unfounded wishful thinking," and contended that Bay St. Louis' case would be heard first because the Bay

adopted its ordinance long before Waveland did so.

The annexation contest could take two years to resolve.

In other business Tuesday, Bay council members learned that it must file a request with the federal Department of Justice on redistricting. Results of the 2000 Census showed the city's predominately black Ward 3 has 24 percent fewer residents than it should have statistically. The neighboring Ward 4, predominately white, has almost 19 percent more residents than it should.

Mayor Eddie Favre said Monday Justice officials may not require the city to make a redistricting filing,

since local officials want to leave the ward lines as they are, protecting the black majority district.

But he said on Tuesday the staff had learned that Justice will require a formal approval process in the matter. Ward 3 council member Tom Favre has garnered letters of support from area black churches and the National Association for Advancement of Colored People in a quest to keep his ward lines intact.

In other matters, council adopted an ordinance which will allow use of "streamers" without time constraints in C-3 districts, as long as the streamers aren't dilapidated. In other zoning districts, banners or streamers are

allowed only for two weeks, during any quarter of the year for each business. The ordinance also defines what a streamer is: "a long narrow flag or pennant."

Another ordinance council approved expands regulations over residential fences. Under the new rules, fences which aren't over three feet tall will be allowed beyond the required front yard setback line, as long as they don't hinder visibility for vehicles entering streets.

Otherwise, fences in all residential districts can't extend beyond the front yard setback lines. Where property runs from one street to another, fences can't exceed the front yard

setback line for either street.

Council also adopted an ordinance setting fees for specialty contractors' licenses at \$25. Those fees will apply to contractors dealing with sprinkler systems, fire suppression and alarms, swimming pools, roofing and other such amenities.

A presentation on the \$250,000 homeowners' assistance grant the city just received was postponed for two weeks because program officials weren't available.

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Races -- voters turn out

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bents in local races Tuesday won their party's nominations, including current District 2 Supervisor Rodrick "Rocky" Pullman, who earned 1,213 votes to opponent Rickey Paige's 584. There were no Republican candidates in that race, so Pullman has effectively already won re-election, barring any problems when vote totals are finalized.

In District 3, incumbent Supervisor Lisa L. Cowand, a Republican, defeated her rival Scott M. Hahn by a 724-152 margin. She will now face Democratic candidate Louie M. Ladner, who earned a total 912 votes, in November.

District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour won the Democratic nomination,

defeating Wayne Whitney 1,131 to 313. He will square off against Republican candidate Bobby R. Glover in the general election.

District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas defeated opponent Joe Necaise 1,028 to 380. Cuevas will face Republican candidate Nell Frisbie, who won her party's nomination with 328 votes Tuesday to rival Perry Berens' 114 and E. Marvin Thompson's 60.

Circuit Clerk Pamela Thomas Metzler, a Democrat, defeated opponent Herman Johnson 5,381 to 1,905. Metzler will face Republican Emilie Magnon, who earned 1,642, in the general election.

Neither coroner candidate faced opposition in her respective race. Incumbent Norma C. Stiglet, the

Democrat, earned 6,504 votes. Republican Mary Odom took home 1,637.

The districts 1 and 2 contestable races were a little bit closer: In District 1, Democrat Terry Necaise earned 1,153 votes to incumbent Phillip Pavolini's 1,018. In District 2, Democrat Ernest Taylor earned 729 votes; Mary "Izzy" Coster earned 684; Ray Seal, 649; and Carl Berry Sr., 308. There were no Republicans in that race.

In District 3, neither Democrat Eric Moran Sr. nor Republican candidate Kurt Necaise faced opposition. Moran took home 2,004 votes; Necaise, 98. The two men will face each other in November.

In the Place 1 Justice Court judge race, again,

neither candidate was opposed. The Democrat, incumbent Judge Ricky Adam, earned 1,993; Republican Roland Flowers, 842.

There will be a run-off in the Place 2 Justice Court judge's race. Jerry Heitzmann earned 919 votes to James A. "Jay" Lagasse III's 823 and Adron Pouncey Jr.'s 703. Heitzmann and Lagasse will square off on Aug. 26 for the job. The winner will take on Republican Albert Necaise, who scored 277 votes Tuesday.

In Place 3, Democrat Tommy Carver Sr. ran unopposed, earning 2,081 votes.

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Run-off -- Ladner, Kopf

a Democratic candidate, received only 675 votes.

"I knew this would be a close race but I didn't think it would be this tight," Ladner said. "I'm looking forward to the run-off."

He plans to visit several communities within Hancock County and hopes to pick up some of Bourgeois' votes.

Being the incumbent

superintendent, Ladner said, presents an obstacle when visiting door-to-door. He said he not only must speak about his future plans for the district, but must answer questions about current and/or previous issues within the district. Ladner said this can reduce the number of houses he can visit because of the time issue.

Kopf also plans to visit voters and "knock on doors." "I'll just have to roll up my sleeves and work harder," he said. "I hoped there wouldn't be a run-off."

Kopf said he was a "bit overwhelmed right now" and was full of gratitude and appreciation for the people who supported him.

Both Kopf and Ladner wished to thank their sup-

porters for voting Tuesday.

The winner of the run-off will face Terrell Randolph, who ran unopposed in the Republican primary, in the November election.

Super Wal-Mart on schedule

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Despite months of rain, construction is on schedule at the new Super Walmart in Waveland. The store is expected to open for business around September 15, said Compton engineer Bob Escher.

The company will officially take possession of the building on August 11 and opening are typically held around five weeks after that date, Escher said.

Right now the only hold up seems to be the new traffic signals that will direct traffic in and out of the store parking area at Hwy. 90. The poles are going to come a little later than expected on September 2, but should take no longer than a couple of days to install, said Escher.

Meanwhile the debate is whether to go ahead and stripe Hwy. 90 so it will be ready to go as soon as the signal lights are installed. Apparently MDOT frowns on stripping the road before signals are installed at intersections.

City officials and engi-

neers want to go ahead with the process.

"If we have to, we'll have police officers directing traffic in and out of the store if there are any other delays on the traffic signals," said Mayor Tommy Longo.

In other business: • The Waveland Branch of the Hancock County Library will officially open its new and greatly improved facilities on August 14 at 4 p.m. at a ribbon cutting ceremony at the library on Coleman Ave. Immediately following, the Hancock County Chamber

of Commerce will host a Chamber After Hours at the new facility. To continue opening festivities, the library will host an all day Family Activities Day the following Saturday, August 16. Call the main branch for details.

• One more project, improvements and repairs to the Garfield Ladner Pier, should also be completed very soon. Construction should reach substantial completion by the end of this week, said Escher, with remaining details completed shortly after.

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Bay St. Louis leaders work toward historic preservation ordinance

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis leaders lunched toward a consensus Tuesday on wording in a proposed historic preservation ordinance.

It took two hours and a pot of gumbo that the mayor had cooked up to reach an apparent accord on major portions of the pending regulations.

"I'm very pleased with the progress," said Charles Gray as the meeting wrapped up.

Gray, executive director of the Hancock County Historical Society, has been instrumental in a years-long effort to create a preservation ordinance and see it through to adoption.

As a political hot potato, the proposal in various forms has been relegated to the back burner for years at a stretch. Ward 2 council member

Jim Thriffley, whose district encompasses much of the city's historic structures, has presided over two recent workshops to help diffuse public and political concerns over the measure.

Tuesday, Mayor Eddie Favre provided council members and preservationists bowls of gumbo before the special 5 p.m. workshop session, generating a congenial start to the deliberations.

Still, there were some strong reservations expressed about the ordinance itself and the very concept of a new layer of government control over private property.

One key sticking point evaporated almost immediately: council members accepted a definition for "landmarks" that the ordinance will govern, insuring that term covers "structures" rather than mere "locations" of historical note.

At-large council member Bill Taylor had circulated a revised draft of the ordinance several weeks ago,

which inadvertently defined "landmarks" as locations only.

Taylor's draft had attempted to meet the concerns of Gregory G. Kergosien, who owns a historic home on Carroll Avenue. Kergosien said in a June letter to council that the ordinance's use of the term "resource" interchangeably with "landmark" or "landmark site" indicated a public ownership of private property.

"I consider it inflammatory," Kergosien said of the "resource" word on Tuesday.

Only one council member, Ward 1's Doug Seal, expressed deep reservations about a system to safeguard the Bay's inventory of historic structures and influence the design of new construction in historic districts. He balked at the idea that the commission would have say over the appearance of new construction, for instance, in historic districts. Seal said it may be many more years before council can agree on boundaries for any historic district.

Gray and the historical society's past president, Brehm Bell, agreed with the new definition, because it includes use of the word "structure."

The proposed ordinance would clear the way for the city to set up a formal system to safeguard the Bay's inventory of historic structures and influence the design of new construction in historic districts. A seven-member commission would recommend lines for adoption

by City Council.

Once included in a district, properties would come under the auspices of the commission on matters of renovations, demolitions and new construction.

Only one council member, Ward 1's Doug Seal, expressed deep reservations about such a system. He balked at the idea that the commission would have say over the appearance of new construction, for instance, in historic districts.

Seal said it may be many more years before council can agree on boundaries for any historic district.

He said if he wanted to do so, he should have the right to construct a modern building, with vinyl siding and chrome features, in between two historic structures.

Bell said the idea of giving the commission say over the appearance of new construction in historic areas is to keep the basic historic image in place, rather than see it invaded by a "one-hundred-twenty foot dinosaur."

Yet, Bell several times noted that the commission's actions are subject to appeal to City Council. And he said the ordinance has several provisions that should calm public concerns over a new bureaucracy.

"We need to make it so that people aren't freaking out" over the ordinance, said Bell.

Seal's other objections included the commission's right to refuse demolition permits in certain cases. Preservationists again noted that City Council would have authority to overturn any of the commission's actions.

Gray said a case in point was the recent demolition of an historic home that could have been saved. A plastic pool building replaced the old building. "I told her she was tacky with no taste," Gray said, "and it'll be a piece of trash in 10 years."

But Gray said if the commission had been in place

Three cocaine arrests made in W'land

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Waveland Police Officers made three crack cocaine arrests within a three day period, according to Police Chief Jimmy Varnell.

"Denzel Milton Collins, 19, Carroll Street; John Mark Foucha, 38, Lakeside Drive; and Anthony Paul James, 17, Herlihy Street, all of Waveland were arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, crack cocaine in unrelated arrests," Varnell said.

Varnell's reports continued, "On August around 11:23 p.m. Officers Eddie Peterson and Eddy Bessie conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle running at stop sign in

the area of Waveland Avenue and Sycamore Street. Further investigation led to the arrest of Collins and Bay-Waveland Task Force Investigator Laura Stepro is in charge of the investigation. Varnell said."

"Collins was booked at the Hancock County criminal Justice Facility under a \$3,000 bond with an initial Waveland Municipal Court appearance on Sept. 11."

"Also on Aug. 1, approximately 4:09 p.m., Waveland Police received a call of a suspicious person in the area of Herlihy and Dixie Streets.

"Officer Blake interviewed Foucha which led to his arrest. Foucha was placed in the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility under at \$1,000 bond with an initial

Municipal Court appearance scheduled for Sept. 4."

"On Aug. 3, approximately 2:06 a.m., Officers Elfren Acosta and John Saltarelli responded to a suspicious person/vehicle call in the parking lot of a business located at the intersection of Highway 90 and Waveland Avenue. The driver, James, upon investigation by the officers was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and placed under a \$1,000 bond with an initial Municipal Court appearance scheduled for Aug. 14."

"Additionally, a passenger James' vehicle was arrested for a curfew violation. Bay-Waveland Task Force Investigator Stepro is in charge of the investigation."

Waveland Police nab California fugitive

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Waveland Police Officers in making a routine traffic stop apprehended a fugitive wanted in California for parole violation, Chief Jimmy Varnell reports.

Varnell said, "On August 2, approximately 11:58 p.m., Officers Elfren Acosta and John Saltarelli conducted a traffic stop in the area Highway 90 and Idlewood Drive."

"The driver, Johnny Valentino Greenoge, 26, National City, California, through further investigation was found to have had an extensive criminal history from California and was wanted on a parole violation. Greenoge was placed in the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility and is being held for the California Department of Corrections," Varnell reported.

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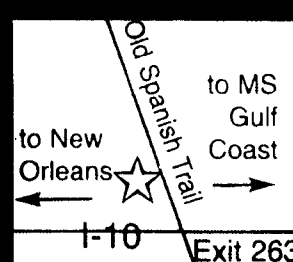
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Yes, one vote can make a difference

The 2003 Dixie Girls Pony Tails World Series champs should be decided this evening at the Bay St. Louis Sports Complex.

The 11 and 12-year-old girls have been having a very exciting week from the 11 visiting state teams to our community.

If you haven't as yet been to see a Girls Fast Pitch Softball game, you do not know what you are missing.

From all reports I have received, hosting the Pony Tails World Series has been very successful for the community.

This afternoon from 4 to 6 p.m., Kindergarten Night will be celebrated with an open house at Hancock North Central Elementary.

This will be an opportunity for parents and students to meet the kindergarten teachers and see the kindergarten classrooms.

Parents are also asked to bring their school supplies too.

I know there must be some anxious boys and girls awaiting their first day of school.

This too, is a good time for parents to meet their children's teachers.

Pearl River Community

College in Hancock County will hold registration this afternoon from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

This is for 2003 fall Night classes at Bay High School with classes beginning Aug. 18.

Registration will also be for fall weekend classes at the Hancock County Library.

For the night classes, some eight courses will be offered and two courses for the weekend classes.

For further information, contact P R C C Admissions at 601-403-1214.

I cannot recall a state-wide and county-wide election in my voting history that appeared to have such a lack of overall interest as on August 5.

August 5. Voter turnout was low in comparison to the amount of qualified electors, and yet our county's total of folks casting a ballot was a higher percentage than some other counties in the state.

Hopefully, the primary run-offs on Aug. 26 and the general election on Nov. 4 will get more folks to the polls.

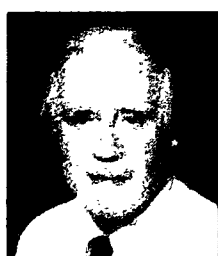
Everyone needs to vote on election day; yes, one vote can make a big difference.

I can recall several local races settled by one vote.

'It ain't so': Mississippi is nation's worst in coping with national recession

If you swallowed all the GOP rhetoric you've heard from the campaign stump as gospel, you'd believe that Mississippi is the nation's worst basket case in coping with a national recession that has devastated budgets of states throughout the country.

And that the state administration the past three years has presided over an orgy of profligate state spending, and, even worse, has caused thousands of industrial jobs to disappear.



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

Now hear this: It ain't so.

The facts are that Mississippi has managed its money better than most states after three years of a sharp recession-driven downturn in state tax collections.

When the state last month ended FY 2003, it was only \$131 million short of funding appropriations for state services.

That shortfall was a mere pittance compared to the multi-billion dollar shortages of many states.

A nationwide map in Newsweek two weeks ago of state deficits as a per-

centage of their state budgets, Mississippi was shown to be in a small handful of states with the lowest deficits.

Nothing like the "worst financial disaster we've ever been in," as Republican gubernatorial candidate Haley Barbour told a forum at the Mississippi Press Association in June.

Barbour has claimed that Mississippi has lost a higher percentage of manufacturing jobs than any state in the last three and a half years. Maybe true, maybe not.

It's been well known since NAFTA went into effect in 1994, that Mississippi, like several other Southern states with

a high proportion of low-wage apparel manufacturing jobs, saw hundreds of those jobs go South of the border, or to China and India, never to come back.

But you'd have to have lived on the planet Mars the past three years not to have noticed what's been happening to manufacturing jobs nationally. A whopping 2.7 million manufacturing jobs have disappeared since the end of 2000.

In July, the Bureau of Labor reported that 71,000 more manufacturing jobs were lost. In all, since President George W. Bush took office in 2001, there's been a net loss of 2.3 million in all types of jobs.

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Veterans health care funding slaughtered in rush for pork

BY RONALD CONLEY

On July 25, the U.S. House of Representatives broke faith with our nation's veterans by removing \$1.8 billion from the VA medical appropriations bill it had agreed to in April.

At a time when our nation is engaged in a worldwide war on terrorism, and 200,000 veterans from previous wars are still standing in line for medical care, the Congress of the United States decided that funding 1,000 pork barrel projects was more important than ensuring that veterans receive timely, quality medical care. Where in the name of God are their priorities?

We have money to pay for a statue of the Roman

god Vulcan in Birmingham, Ala.

We have money to pay for a bike trail in North Dakota. We have money to fund a Nevada helicopter company that performs Elvis impersonator weddings.

And, yet we have neither the heart nor the will to ensure that all United States veterans receive the medical care they earned and we owe them. This is outrageous and I can not believe the American people will stand for this.

During the past year, I've visited more than 60 VA hospitals.

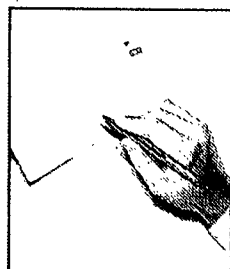
Last month I visited a military hospital in Germany that was receiving three plane loads of

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Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Kudos on 'Lost Community' series

Letter to Editor,
Kudos to The Sea Coast Echo and Bennie Shallbetter for the series of articles about Hancock County's "lost communities."

Through her sensitive reporting, Bennie has painted a portrait of what life was like here decades ago. I'm sure her stories awakened many memories for some of Hancock County's older residents. For people like me

who weren't here before Stennis Space Center arrived, it awakened my imagination of those earlier times.

Too much of our history is being lost because no one is taking oral histories from our aging residents. Thank you for making a significant contribution to preserving some of that history.

Sincerely,
Nan Ehrbright

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Actually, with the huge new Nissan auto plant at Canton coming on line in May, bringing solid figures that 5,600 new high-paying manufacturing jobs will be injected into the state's economy, Mississippi is bucking the national trend.

"Mississippi is doing better than the rest of the nation this year in creating employment," stated a June report on Mississippi's economic outlook released by the Center for Policy Research and Planning, a unit of the State College Board.

The report went on to say that the number of persons employed in the state grew 0.4 percent in the first quarter of 2003 compared to the first quarter of last year, while nationally the number dropped.

Historically, because of its thin economy, still heavily dependent on agriculture, this state has struggled to get off the bottom of almost every national economic and educational index.

Landing an auto manufacturing plant for two decades was a Mississippi dream, that was always shattered when Toyota or Nissan or Mercedes Benz chose to go elsewhere in the South. That's why when Nissan decided, on Ronnie Musgrove's watch, to come to Mississippi, it was a huge departure from the state's long history of chasing smokestacks with cheap, non-union labor.

Musgrove can't be compared to Hugh White who literally launched a Mississippi-style industrial revolution with his "Balance Agriculture with Industry" program that pioneered the idea of

using public funding to erect buildings and even provide equipment to lure plants and provide jobs.

But there's no doubt Musgrove hasn't just sat on his backside and let grass grow in the streets of Mississippi's financially-strapped towns and cities.

A political writer for The (New Orleans) Times-Picayune recently took a look into Mississippi's gubernatorial campaign. She wrote that Musgrove, with Nissan and other economic coups in his resume' could win hands down in Louisiana. Republican Gov. Mike Foster (who's now term-limited), she said, did nothing while our "perennially poor neighbors over in Mississippi leave us in the dust."

It doesn't take a smidgen of courage now for a Mississippi politician, namely Barbour, to denigrate economic progress that has been made the past several years.

Especially when a post-recession recovery the White House has been promising has never arrived and thousands thrown out of work weeks ago either have not found other employment, or have stopped looking.

The corporate sector, which the Bush Administration (and a Barbour Administration, if it comes about) is keen to protect, don't seem to be anxious to help after a plant is closed.

A Mississippi case in point: International Paper Company's plant at Natchez, the city's oldest and largest single employer, shut its doors, throwing 640 out of work.

Despite desperate

efforts by local officials to get the company to utilize the plant in some way to provide jobs, and a workforce retraining program put on by the Musgrove Administration, International Paper walked away.

International Paper has been a major beneficiary of Mississippi's coddling of the timber industry, all the way from an absurdly low state timber severance tax to local tax breaks. Natchez Mayor Hank Smith, III says, "I don't know of any tax exemption that the city or county has not given International Paper."

Meantime, the momentary euphoria when a small percentage of Mississippians get \$400 rebate checks from the Bush Administration's income tax cut, will be short-lived when the next state administration finds the tax cut is going to cost the state a big chunk of lost revenue from the new dividend exemption.

Washington's Center on Budget and Policy Priorities says states face a loss of \$37 billion over the coming 10 years because their income taxes are tied to the federal tax. Mississippi, it says, will lose \$220 million.

Are we going to hear the GOP standard-bearer in Mississippi make a "read my lips" anti-tax promise reminiscent of Bush the elder?

We already know tough budgetary times are ahead here. We've got to finally pay the piper to fund state services next year after using up all the Band-Aids around to balance the 2004 state budget. A "read my lips" promise would make it worse.

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wounded veterans a day. Last week I visited several hundred more wounded soldiers at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, DC. I have never met such patriotic, dedicated and committed young men.

To a man, each wanted to be back in Iraq with his buddies, with his unit. One young man from Micronesia, who had lost both legs and an arm, was just staring at the ceiling, obviously wondering how he would be able to cope with living. Another young man from Pennsylvania wasn't staring at anything. He was blind. One leg had been amputated and his arm mangled. Another had his leg crushed by a tank.

Each of them, like thousands of their brothers and sisters in previous wars, was passing through Walter Reed on their way, eventually, to a VA hospital, joining those in the long, long line waiting for care because the system is desperately underfunded.

I suggest that Congress make a point of visiting Walter Reed and the local VA hospitals in Washington - they're right up the street from where they voted yesterday to decimate the VA medical budget. These men and women are not merely numbers; they're not merely statistics. They are the human toll taken by war, and we owe them first priority in any budget decision made on behalf of the American people.

The inevitable result of Congress ignoring its duty and breaking its promise will be deprivation for those who have paid the price for freedom. I can't help but wonder what is

happening to the moral fiber of our country when those we have elected turn their backs on the bravest of the brave.

In 2004, the United States will be dedicating a memorial to the 16 million men and women who fought in World War II. We already have memorials for the 15 million who fought in Korea and Vietnam. Today, we have soldiers in more than 130 countries waging a war on terrorism whose end is not yet in sight.

During the past 60 years, nearly every family in America has sent one or more of their sons and daughters to fight somewhere in defense of freedom. Don't you think that the very least we owe them is adequate medical care provided in a timely manner?

No community is untouched by war. Somewhere in your neighborhood there flies a Blue Star Banner, or Gold Star Banner, signifying a sacrifice made by a family on the altar of freedom. Do you think that these families - do you think that these Americans - will stand idly by while Congress refuses to fully care for those who bore the battle?

I don't think so. America will not accept this VA budget. We will take this fight directly to the people and there will be no armistice until every veteran, everywhere, receives the medical care so richly deserved.

The writer is national commander of the 2.8-million member American Legion, the nation's largest veterans organization.

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| RONNIE MUSGROVE | 73 | 345 | 117 | 192 | 329 | 171 | 158 | 50 | 262 | 47 | 247 | 304 | 281 | 253 | 205 | 61 | 199 | 118 | 225 | 363 | | 151 | 214 | 281 | 297 | 201 | | 89 | 5,133 | |
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| JAMES L. ROBERTS JR. | 43 | 151 | 44 | 57 | 97 | 74 | 51 | 28 | 106 | 22 | 61 | 143 | 139 | 82 | 61 | 21 | 93 | 46 | 22 | 109 | | 37 | 104 | 89 | 67 | 81 | | 32 | 1,860 | |
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| JIM HOOD | 88 | 445 | 152 | 233 | 388 | 198 | 183 | 68 | 301 | 60 | 288 | 343 | 317 | 317 | 222 | 77 | 241 | 131 | 242 | 448 | | 163 | 211 | 359 | 245 | 220 | | 110 | 6,050 | |
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| GARY ANDERSON | 33 | 155 | 63 | 87 | 127 | 64 | 51 | 29 | 106 | 15 | 98 | 106 | 105 | 127 | 76 | 28 | 77 | 34 | 96 | 145 | | 57 | 85 | 134 | 89 | 74 | | 43 | 2,104 | |
| CINDY A. ELLIOTT | 27 | 174 | 49 | 74 | 143 | 61 | 44 | 13 | 116 | 20 | 72 | 86 | 69 | 83 | 84 | 32 | 86 | 62 | 96 | 138 | | 73 | 68 | 126 | 80 | 61 | | 29 | 1,966 | |
| ROBERT 'ROB' SMITH | 36 | 156 | 50 | 82 | 147 | 106 | 109 | 34 | 114 | 18 | 142 | 197 | 176 | 124 | 81 | 26 | 106 | 59 | 75 | 193 | | 57 | 103 | 133 | 98 | 111 | | 44 | 2,577 | |
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| JIMMIE LADNER JR. | 96 | 431 | 163 | 200 | 360 | 200 | 170 | 69 | 320 | 46 | 278 | 384 | 324 | 312 | 208 | 74 | 256 | 124 | 230 | 435 | | 183 | 253 | 332 | 253 | 231 | | 99 | 6,031 | |
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| DAVID KOPF | 25 | 192 | 70 | | | 89 | 72 | 53 | 220 | 38 | | 155 | 171 | | 78 | | 159 | 34 | | | | | 103 | | 139 | 152 | | 43 | 1,793 | |
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| LYONIE 'JEEP' LADNER | 69 | 160 | 98 | 107 | 226 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 660 | | |
| DAVID YARBOROUGH | 41 | 354 | 92 | 171 | 249 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 907 | | |
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| RICKEY PAIGE | | | | | | 92 | 59 | 12 | 76 | 18 | 72 | 255 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 584 | | |
| ROCKY PULLMAN | | | | | | 168 | 165 | 66 | 322 | 46 | 262 | 184 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,213 | | |
| SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LOUIE M. LADNER | | | | | | | | | | | | | 331 | 287 | 221 | 73 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 912 | | |
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| STEVE SEYMOUR | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 230 | 105 | 237 | 397 | | | 162 | | | | | | 1,131 | | |
| WAYNE WHITNEY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 55 | 68 | 36 | 114 | | | 40 | | | | | | 313 | | |
| SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JAY CUEVAS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 214 | 271 | 226 | 239 | | 78 | 1,028 | |
| JOE NECAISE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 74 | 161 | 58 | 42 | | 45 | 380 | |
| JUSTICE COURT JUDGE -- PLACE 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| RICKY ADAM | | | | | | | 4 | 59 | | | | | 179 | 318 | | 231 | | 237 | | | | | | | 233 | 75 | 272 | 266 | | 119 | 1,993 |
| CONSTABLE -- PLACE 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TERRY NECAISE | | | | | | | 3 | 33 | | | | | 104 | 13 | | 129 | | 152 | | | | | | | 138 | 45 | 166 | 192 | | 60 | 1,153 |
| PHILLIP PAVOLINI | | | | | | | 3 | 29 | | | | | 108 | 224 | | 115 | | 99 | | | | | | | 149 | 29 | 115 | 85 | | 62 | 1,018 |
| JUSTICE COURT JUDGE -- PLACE 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JERRY HEITZMANN | | | | | | 57 | 49 | 5 | | | | | 35 | 0 | 119 | 0 | 49 | 5 | 3 | 150 | 221 | | 93 | | 133 | | | | | 919 | |
| JAY LAGASSE III | | | | | | 19 | 19 | 2 | | | | | 20 | 0 | 178 | 0 | 31 | 2 | 5 | 102 | 210 | | 90 | | 145 | | | | | 823 | |
| ADRON POUNCEY JR. | | | | | | 183 | 140 | 4 | | | | | 144 | 0 | 49 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 17 | 70 | | 19 | | 65 | | | | | 703 | |
| CONSTABLE -- PLACE 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CARL N. BERRY SR. | | | | | | 147 | 52 | 0 | | | | | 35 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 10 | | 9 | | 29 | | | | | 308 | |
| MARY 'IZZY' COSTER | | | | | | 37 | 27 | 4 | | | | | 29 | 0 | 119 | 0 | 38 | 2 | 1 | 62 | 175 | | 78 | | 112 | | | | | 684 | |
| RAY SEAL | | | | | | 52 | 110 | 6 | | | | | 122 | 0 | 86 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 2 | 17 | 80 | | 40 | | 116 | | | | | 649 | |
| ERNEST TAYLOR | | | | | | 17 | 15 | 1 | | | | | 13 | 0 | 113 | 0 | 25 | 1 | 4 | 177 | 221 | | 68 | | 74 | | | | | 729 | |
| JUSTICE COURT JUDGE -- PLACE 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOMMY CARVER SR. | 91 | 448 | 150 | 214 | 392 | | | | | 285 | 59 | 289 | | | | | | 10 | 143 | | | | | | | | | | | 2,081 | |
| CONSTABLE PLACE 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ERIC MORAN SR. | 84 | 427 | 144 | 213 | 367 | | | | | 289 | 56 | 274 | | | | | | 9 | 141 | | | | | | | | | | | 2,004 | |

Look for Republican Primary Election returns in Sunday's edition of The Sea Coast Echo

Ladners eyeing Bayou Caddy casino

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

If brothers Keath and Kirk Ladner, and father Terry Ladner get their way, their proposal could soon bring a new casino development to the county. The family members submitted their application for the Islander Casino and Resort to the Department of Marine Resources for permitting approval on July 24.

The family is also proposing several phases of mid to upper scale condominiums, a restaurant, and an RV park to be built on the 30 acres of land they own that connects to the proposed casino site.

The family has already completed work on the Islander Marina, Keath said.

The site proposed for the casino project is located in an area where County Supervisors have been working on a plan to add a sand beach front. The sand beach would protect a stretch of Beach Blvd. from washouts during storms and other weather events, advisors say.

The casino would be located between Lakeshore Blvd. and Bayou Caddy on the beachfront and plans propose that the sand beach project stop on either side of the site, leaving what Keath calls a water basin in between, where the casino and parking would be located.

The sand beach would be held back on either side by a rip rap jetty, Keath said, and include a fishing pier that would extend into the Sound as a part of the casino complex.

The Ladners originally planned to build the casino as the first stage in their multi-phased development, Keath said, but were told that a statewide environmental impact study on casino developments was underway and would have to be completed before any new permits were issued for casino developments.

"We understand that the statement should be issued in late September or early October," said Keath.

Meanwhile, the family decided to go on with other plans and built the marina just north of the site on Bayou Caddy.

They are now looking at building a restaurant at the marina and two stages of mid-scale waterfront condos, with boat access, Keath said, totaling about 90 units.

If all goes well with the sand beach project, the family is also planning a phase of upscale condos inland from the sand beach at Lakeshore, he said. An RV park is planned for a site just west of the marina area.

For now, the project will have to go through a lot red tape and many permitting

processes. As well as local officials approval, the family will have to win the approval of several state agencies as well as Secretary of State Eric Clark, Keath said, but are willing to do what they must to realize their dream.

"We want to make the area a resort destination," he said.

Meanwhile, Cliff McCarlie, who is involved with another other casino project with Dynasty Inc. (the former Phoenix Leisure), at the site of the old Jubilee casino by Bayou Caddy, says his philosophy is the more the merrier. Word of the project won't change his group's plans at all, he said.

"My hat is off to the Ladners for the beautiful job that they have done on the Islander Marina and for the improvement it made in the neighborhood," said McCarlie on Wednesday. "I think it is all positive and anything they do will help us all ... I wish them well."

McCarlie said his group is still planning to go forward as soon as financing is in place.

Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar said he feels that the county has to encourage economic development like the casino projects.

"Whether you are for or against gaming, it is here, and the projects will bring jobs and revenue into the county," Kellar said.

Locks of Love



There was a great turnout at the Locks of Love Hair-A-Thon on July 19 at the Cutting Edge in Waveland. A total of 16 people (children and adults) were present on the day of the Hair-A-Thon. There were nine people who donated their hair earlier in the month after hearing about the Locks of Love event. Anne Prendergast organized the event in conjunction with Holly and staff at the Cutting Edge. Sponsors included Sav-a-Center, Daddy O's, Bay-Waveland Pizza, and Domino's. A total of 25 ponytails were mailed to Locks of Love after the event. All ponytails were 10 inches or longer. This will make wigs for 2 children. Back row left to right: Patricia Verdon, Shirley Prendergast, Jay Schully, Holly Purvis owner, Ashley Chatman, Christen Berry, & Charlotte Tartavolle Middle row left to right: Emma Johnston, Piccola Johnston, Kelly Coffelt, Amanda Purser, Rosalind Kinard, Christine T. Berry Front row left to right: Tia Johnston, Skye Kinard, Anne Prendergast, & Melaine Smith. Not picture Betty Buras, Mary Ellen Harlan, and Geri Henry

PCYC to host Knost Regatta

THE SEA COAST ECHO.
The Pass Christian Yacht Club (PCYC) will be the defending champion in the 66th Knost Regatta to be sailed Aug. 9-10.

Since 1938, skipperettes and crews have returned annually to PCYC to participate in the Bernard L. Knost "All Ladies" sailing championship.

From 1938 until 1947, the Knost was sailed in Fish Class sloops. The hurricane of 1947 devastated the entire Gulf Coast, and all the fish boats at PCYC were sunk in their slips.

The clubhouse, then located on the median on West Scenic overlooking the

66th Knost Regatta

Aug. 9-10

Pass Christian Yacht Club

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harbor, was partially damaged.

By 1968, the Gulf Yachting Association had replaced the fish sloops with the trailable Flying Scots. This made it possible for GYA Clubs as far away as Ft. Walton, Fla., and Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans to bring their own Scots to PCYC for the

regatta.

Throughout the succeeding years additional classes were invited to participate to encourage more skipperettes and crews to enjoy the Coast's hospitality.

The Drury Dragon Schneider PHRF Class (for larger boats with 50 percent female crew) was dedicated in 1984. Then, in 1997, the

Coco Seeman trophy for the International Luder 16 sloops was added.

A full social program is planned for the weekend at the clubhouse. Two back-to-back races are scheduled for Saturday with the third race set for Sunday. The first race will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and the third race will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday.

Race committee chairpersons for the event will be PCYC's Dan Killeen Jr. and Southern Yacht Club's "Tootie" Barnett, former commodore of the GYA.

For more information, call the Pass Christian Yacht Club at 228-452-2571.

Be aware of school attendance laws

As the school year begins, the Mississippi Department of Education's Office of Compulsory School Attendance Enforcement would like to remind area parents about several laws governing school attendance.

Under the Mississippi Compulsory School Attendance Law, parents and guardians are required to enroll their children in a public or private school. This law applies to children who have reached the age of 6 and have not exceeded the age of 17 by Sept. 1.

Children who have attained or will attain the age of 5 years on or before Sept. 1 and have enrolled in a full-day public kindergarten will be under the Compulsory

School Attendance Law.

Parents interested in teaching their children at home are required to complete a certificate of enrollment card and to provide a simple description of the education that will be provided in the home.

Any parent or guardian who fails to comply with the compulsory school attendance laws may be found guilty of contributing to the neglect of a child and may face criminal charges.

Dale Bruce, School Attendance Officer of Hancock County, is available to assist parents and guardians of school-age children to ensure that they regularly attend school.

For more information, call Dale Bruce at 463-9765.

Stennis Space Center to host Industry Day

Registration deadline set Aug. 12, event to be held at Casino Magic

NASA Stennis Space Center (SSC) will host Industry Day 2003 on Aug. 19 at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis.

The event will feature presentations and approximately 30 exhibits as a "one-stop shopping day" for industry - particularly small businesses - to explore business opportunities with NASA, SSC, and federal, state and commercial agencies at SSC.

Speakers during the presentation portion will include Mississippi Congressman Gene Taylor, SSC Interim Center Director Michael Rudolph and representatives from a variety of SSC organiza-

tions and agencies.

Organizers encourage early registration due to limited seating for the presentations. The deadline for event registration is Aug. 12.

Participants who register no later than Aug. 8 will also have the opportunity to take advantage of a bus tour of SSC. Hotel reservations at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis secured before Aug. 8 can be made at a preferred rate by mentioning SSC Industry Day 2003.

For more information e-mail ssc-sbs@ssc.nasa.gov. For more information or to register, visit www.ssc.nasa.gov/industryday/.

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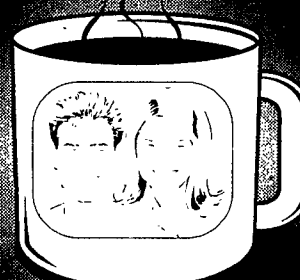
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NASA selects USM professor for \$604,000 Fellowship Program

A professor in The University of Southern Mississippi's School of Computer Science and Statistics is inspiring the next generation of space explorers.

Dr. Jim Miller, an associate professor of computer science at Southern Miss' Gulf Park campus, has been selected to participate in the NASA Faculty Fellowship Program (NFTP) at Stennis Space Center.

Funded at \$604,141 over three years, the grant will be shared between Southern Miss and Southern University of Baton Rouge, and used to coordinate a long-standing educational thrust that brings faculty members to NASA sites for research opportunities. These experiences are designed to provide university faculty with research and instructional tools that will enrich their teaching practices, motivating students to pursue careers in science, mathematics, technology and engineering.

"We consider a grant that puts us in a better position to compete for additional research dollars from an agency such as NASA to be a very good grant," said Miller, who will serve in an administrative role for the program.

Housed under the Education Enterprise, the NFTP is a nationwide program promoting the exchange of ideas between faculty and NASA employees. By engaging minority and underrepresented faculty and students in its educational programs, the

program captures NASA's commitment to broadening the participation of all citizens in the agency's mission.

"Congratulations to Dr. Miller and Southern Miss for receiving this honor," U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor (D-Miss.) said. "Dr. Miller is helping to strengthen the credentials of an already well-respected faculty at Southern Miss. I am sure this program will be mutually beneficial and further the relationship between Southern Miss and Stennis."

The program at Stennis began in 1990 and has to date brought Southern Miss about \$2 million, Miller said, with about \$500,000 coming in 2002-03. One hundred thirty-five faculty members have participated at Stennis, with 10 faculty members coming from Southern Miss.

"Because the program involves faculty members in 10 weeks of on-site research activity, it serves as a natural platform for additional funding through NASA," Miller said.

In addition to furthering the professional knowledge of qualified engineering and science faculty members, other objectives of the NFTP include: stimulating an exchange of ideas between participants and employees of NASA; contributing to the research objectives of the NASA Center; and providing faculty insight into NASA's future human resources needs and education program opportunities for student engagement in NASA research.

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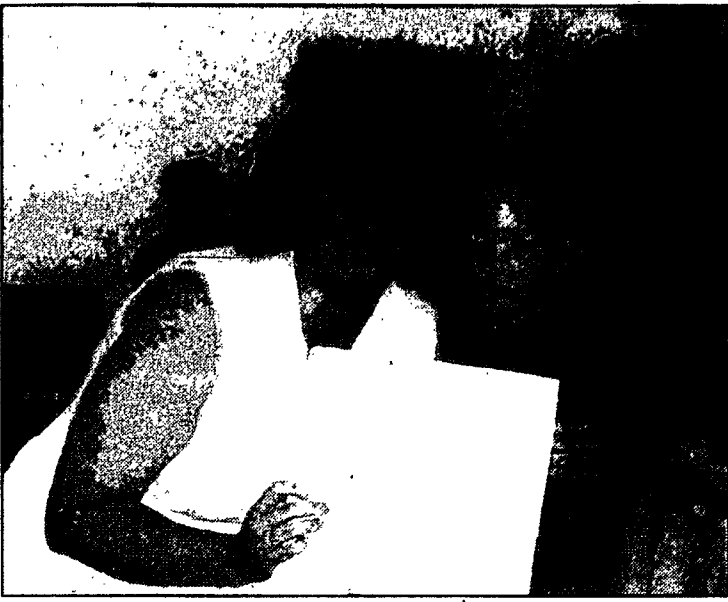
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Project PRINTS holds graduation



(Above left) Cody Oglesby, Project PRINTS graduate of Hancock County, is congratulated by teacher assistant Lisa Hayden.
(Above right) Fletcher Tortorich, Project PRINTS graduate of Hancock County, is congratulated by speech/language pathologist Patti Grisham and his mother Cathy Tortorich (right).

Project PRINTS, the early intervention program of the South Mississippi Regional Center, celebrated its annual graduation ceremony July 10 at the West Harrison County Community Center, honoring 93 preschool graduates from Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, George, Stone and Pearl River counties.

Project PRINTS, an acronym for Partnerships for Responsive Intervention Newborn to School, works with children ages zero to three who are diagnosed with a developmental disability.

Students graduate when they transition from the early intervention program to their local school system or Head Start Center.

Administered by the Department of Mental Health, the program provides a wide range of services to infants and children who are experiencing

delays and to their families: The goal is to minimize these delays and increase the potential for future development.

Services through Project PRINTS are provided by 28 staff persons including certified special education teachers, paraprofessional teaching assistants, speech pathologists, parent educators, and a social worker. Occupational and physical therapy may be provided on an as needed basis.

Services through Project PRINTS are free of charge and referrals are confidential. Project PRINTS serv-ment sites are located in Biloxi, Gautier, Gulfport, Lakeshore, Long Beach and Piquayune.

George and Stone counties are served through the Gautier office. The administration office of Project PRINTS at 228-867-1434 will provide information to parents interested in learning about the early inter-

vention program.

Children enrolled in the program may exhibit delays in physical skills, speech and language abilities, educational developments, or a combination of these areas.

Admission into the program requires a current medical examination and identification of a developmental disability.

An individualized educational plan is then developed for each child based on his or her needs and the needs of the family.

Research has shown that reaching children at an early age can have positive results in the child's home and in future school settings.

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Boys and Girls Club receives reports of scams along Coast

Over the past two weeks the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast has had reports of an individual going to businesses on Pass Road in Biloxi and now in the Gulfport area soliciting money for what he says is a spaghetti dinner prepared at a local restaurant.

He says the event is a benefit for the Boys and Girls Club. He asks for \$5 per meal and is giving receipts from a generic receipt book and takes cash only.

He also has some kind

of paperwork that says Boys and Girls Clubs of America but does not give it to the person.

The victim in Biloxi said the solicitor is a black male, fairly tall.

In Gulfport the person was described as a black male about 5 foot 4 inches and somewhat stocky, around 200 pounds. There could be more than one person.

If anyone has any information on this or they have been a victim they are asked to call the Gulfport Police and reference report No. 03-028288

and provide as much information as possible. In Biloxi, people are asked to call the Biloxi Police Department.

The Boys and Girls Club is not having any fundraiser of this type and has filed a complaint with local police and needs the community's help in stopping this criminal activity.

There have also been reports of someone soliciting school supplies for the Boys and Girls Club but no such solicitation has been approved by the organization.

DMR says, 'Release egg-bearing crabs'

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) would like to remind fishermen that it is unlawful to hold or have in possession any female sponge crab or any female crab bearing visible eggs at any time. (Miss. Code Ann. Section 49-15-84 and CMR Ordinance No. 4.008).

If you catch a sponge crab, you must return it to the water immediately. Violators are subject to criminal penalties of fines and incarceration pursuant to Section 49-15-63

of the Mississippi Code.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us.

Forestry Commission employees help manage fire control in Mont.

Three Mississippi Forestry Commission employees, Danny Bryant of Madison, Danny Moore of Brandon and Mark Jamison of Bay St. Louis, were dispatched recently to the Roberts fire near West Glacier, Montana.

They are part of the "Red Team" that will manage fire fighting efforts on the fire that covered 24,400 acres as of Aug. 4 and is 40 percent contained.

Jon Zimmerman, the Forestry Commission's fire

programs coordinator in Jackson said the "Red Team" is an overhead management team that runs the administration, plans strategy and tactics and directs the actions of fire crews on large fires.

The Mississippi Forestry Commission dispatches specially trained employees to serve with the U. S. Forest Service on large out-of-state fires on a volunteer basis. The three men are scheduled to return to Mississippi in two weeks.

Public Meeting

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Shellfish Bureau will hold a public meeting Aug. 11, at 6 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center, 3068 Longfellow Drive in Bay St. Louis.

The meeting is designed to seek input from commercial fishermen and seafood processors in the Mississippi oyster industry.

This informal meeting will give participants an opportunity to provide input regarding the upcoming oyster season and the Mississippi Shellfish Program.

For details, contact Rita Duvenay at the DMR at (228) 374-5022, ext. 5068.

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Obituaries

GLENDIA BATTAGLIA
EFFIE CUEVAS
SEAN GURTIS
LOIS HAAS
MARTIN MCARTHUR

SHIRLEY MERRITT
RAYMOND MIRAMON
MARGARET NELSON
LUJEAN SULLIVAN
TRUDY W. WILSON

GLENDIA BATTAGLIA
 Glenda Ann Johnston Battaglia, 65, of Pass Christian died Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, in Russellville, Ala. She was born in New Orleans and was a lifelong resident of the Coast. She was a member of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph F. Battaglia Jr., and her parents, Thomas and Geneva Johnston.

Survivors include her daughter, Jeanine Battaglia of Biloxi; six sons, Ivan Cobb and wife, Laurie, of Meridian; Louis F. Cobb Jr. and wife, Noreen, of Biloxi; Bryant E. Cobb of Biloxi; Chuck S. Battaglia and wife, Sharron, of Gulfport; Daniel J. Battaglia and wife, Donna, of Lockport, La.; Anthony M. Battaglia and wife, Dayna, of Slidell, La.; two sisters, Carol Cline and husband, Jim, of Des Moines, Iowa; Donna Thatcher and husband, Dennis, of Lumberton, Texas; one brother, Thomas Johnston Jr. and wife, Janet, of Kiln; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, where friends may visit one hour prior to Mass. Burial will be at Southern Memorial Park.

Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

EFFIE CUEVAS
 Effie Margaret Cuevas, 76, of White Cypress died, Sunday, August 3, 2003 in Diamondhead.

She was a native of Hancock County. She was a homemaker and a member of the St. Matthews Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Donald Cuevas.

Survivors include 2 son's and daughter-in-laws; Elbert and Darnell Cuevas of Nacaise Crossing; Wayne and Ann Cuevas of White Cypress; 2 sisters, Ester Ladner of Standard and Delores Puckett of Forrest, MS; 7 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren.

Services were held on Wednesday, August 6, 2003 at St. Matthews Catholic Church.

Burial was in Nacaise Crossing Cemetery.

Father Manning officiated.

McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune was in charge of arrangements.

SEAN GURTIS
 Sean Thomas Gurtis, 22, a resident of Clarksburg, W.V., died July 17, 2003, in Clarksburg.

Mr. Gurtis was preceded in death by his grandfather, Jack A. Wilson, and an uncle, John T. Wilson.

He is survived by his mother, Lori Wilson-Renoe, and father, Pat Renoe; his grandmother, Trudy Wilson, all of the Timberidge Subdivision of Pass Christian; his step-grandparents, John A. Renoe of Hudson, Fla.; and Dorothy H. Renoe of Potomac, Md.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, Aug. 7, at 11 a.m. at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian, where family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until service time at 11 a.m. Burial will follow at Floral Hills Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Gulfport. The family prefers memorial contributions to the Wildlife

Rehabilitation and Nature Preservation Society, 23228 Woodland Way, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

LOIS HAAS
 Lois Mae Haas, 73, born into this world on Dec. 30, 1929, to Manuel Joseph Haas and Katie I. Cuevas Haas, entered the gates of heaven on Aug. 3, 2003.

Ms. Haas was a native of Kiln but moved to Bay St. Louis in 1992 to be near her daughters. She was a graduate of Kiln Consolidated School, where she was a first string basketball player through high school.

She was a member of Kiln Annunciation Catholic Church until moving to Bay St. Louis where she attended St. Rose De Lima. She thoroughly enjoyed the choir at Sunday morning Mass. They always made her cry with joy. She was a member of Kiln Post 6285 Ladies Auxiliary.

She enjoyed singing country music and playing the guitar, especially with her beloved brother Wilbur Joseph Haas. She enjoyed playing Bonco with her wonderful friends who stood by her throughout her sickness. She loved life and looked forward to family events, making people smile and being a good listener for anyone who needed a shoulder to lean on. She knew Mable Haas Rhode, her cherished double first cousin, dancing and bingo playing partner would be waiting for her with open arms. She believed in her heart to treat everyone as you would want to be treated.

She was preceded in death by her father, Manuel J. Haas; mother, Katie I. Cuevas Haas; her husband, Johnny Garcia; son, Eddie Garcia; grandson, Larry Douglas Garcia II; and sister-in-law, Lilly Mae Cuevas Haas.

Survivors include her daughters, Angela Lee Orama of Kiln; Anita Garcia Fowler of Bay St. Louis; and Andrea Garcia Bilbo and son-in-law Chester M. Bilbo Jr. of Bay St. Louis; her grandchildren, Lucretia Garcia, Dallas Fowler, Chad Ladner, Chenea Bilbo and Drake Domino; her great-grandchildren, Larry Garcia III and Danae Fowler; her brother, Wilbur Joseph Haas of Kiln; nieces Pam Beniche, Christy Haas Trammell and husband, Sam Trammell; Kathy Haas Nacaise and husband, Gary Wayne Nacaise; her great-nephews Christopher Beniche, Krisjon Wilkerson, Garrett Nacaise and Jordan Trammell; double first cousins Virdelee Haas Orrels, Jane Haas Hodges and Wallace Haas, and

numerous cousins and friends.

Visitation will be Thursday, Aug. 7, at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis from 7 to 10 p.m. Funeral services will be Friday, Aug. 8, at Kiln Annunciation Church at noon. Burial will follow at Bayou Coco in Bay St. Louis.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

MARTIN MCARTHUR SR.

Martin W. McArthur Sr., 78, died Tuesday, August 5, 2003 in Biloxi, MS.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Pearlinton. Served in U.S. Army during WWII. Retired from Delta Barge Line as a Diesel Mechanic.

He was preceded in death by wife, Ona Mae Luxich McArthur; parents, Wilbur and Abbie McArthur; brothers, Wilbur J. McArthur and Ronald McArthur; sister, Barbara McArthur Miller.

Survivors include sons, Martin McArthur Jr. of Bay St. Louis; Elbert Walters of Pearlinton; Terry Frazier of Kiln; daughters, Ada Pearl McArthur Blackwell of Pearlinton; Elva Lee Walters Ritchie of Pearlinton; Elaine Frazier Jones of Bay St. Louis; brother, Henry W. McArthur of Baton Rouge, LA; sisters, Dorothy McArthur Wilkinson of Pearlinton; Isabelle McArthur Kerr of Jackson, MS; Thelma McArthur Whatley of Pascagoula, MS; Lottie McArthur Holden of Pearlinton; Gloria McArthur Dunaway of Pearlinton; 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Friday, August 8, 2003 at First Southern Baptist Church in Pearlinton from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 9, 2003 at First Southern Baptist Church in Pearlinton at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Logtown Cemetery in Pearlinton.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

SHIRLEY MERRITT
 Shirley T. Giles Merritt, 73 of Pearlinton, passed on to Glory on Saturday, August 2, 2003.

She was a Licensed Practical Nurse for over 40 years and retired from Slidell Memorial Hospital in 1984. She was a life long resident of the Pearlinton, Bay-Waveland communities. She loved to see people happy, and always greeted everyone with a smile. She loved to cook for her family and friends to share her



SHIRLEY MERRITT

love. She loved to fish, and caught fish when no one else could. In her younger years she played piano and sang at Holmes Chapel U.M. Church in Pearlinton. She was also a member of St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Rev. Charles R. Giles and Arnette T. Giles of Pearlinton; brother Charles Giles; and sister Myrtle Terrell.

She leaves to celebrate her passing: her husband Sgt. John L. Merritt, U.S.A. (retired) of Pearlinton; daughter, Gail Clementin-Fusco of Rome; Faith Ann Fairconeture-Augustine of Dunwoody, GA; Yolanda Merritt of Atlanta, GA; Erica Merritt of Covington, TN; and one son Arthur (Laverne) Clementin of Bay St. Louis; brother's Eugene (Rose) Giles, and LeNard (Bo-Peters) Peters both of New Orleans and Kenneth Giles of Waveland; twelve grandchildren; twenty great-grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held at Holmes Chapel

U.M.C. in Pearlinton at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 8, 2003, Pastor Bobby McGill officiating.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Shirley (Giles) Merritt Memorial Fund, 110 Michael Drive, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

RAYMOND MIRAMON

Raymond J. Miramon, 87, died Sunday, August 3, 2003 in Bay St. Louis.

He was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 15 years. He was of the Catholic Faith. He was a loving father and grandfather that will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by wife, Louise McLoughlin Miramon; son Frank Ecker Sr.; parents, Edward and Ada Whitney Miramon, Sr.; granddaughter, Carol E. Ecker.

Survived by children, Francis M. Christopher of Miami, FL; Thomas Ecker of LA; Penny Ecker DiMaggio of MS; grandchildren, Wendy Schlesinger, Raymond Ecker, Frank Ecker, Patricia Ecker, Page, Thomas, Todd and Edward Ecker, Delphine Johns, David DiMaggio, Alan and Perry Christopher; two brothers, Wilson and Edward Miramon; two sisters, Francis and Marian; 11 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

A visitation and prayer service was held Aug. 6. Interment was held in Lakelawn Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans.

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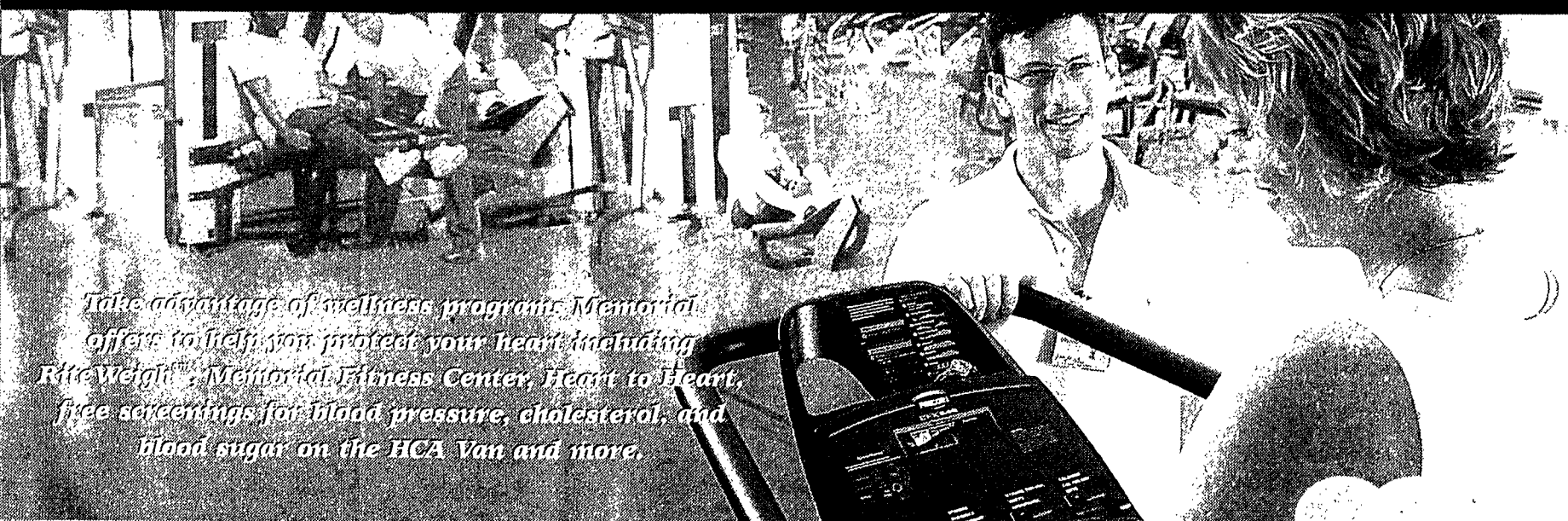
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BUSINESS NEWS

Stennis Space Center, Hancock Chamber business expos set for August 19, 21

Stennis Space Center Industry Day 2003 will be held on Tuesday, August 19 at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Hosted by the NASA Acquisition Management Office, the purpose of the event is to provide industry and small businesses with an opportunity to learn more about Stennis Space Center (SSC) and how to do business with federal, state, and commercial agencies at Hancock County's federal city.

Registration is free and open to the public and pre-registration to attend is required. The conference begins at 8am. Congressman Gene Taylor and NASA and SSC resident agencies are invited to make brief presentations to attendees. Staffed exhibits will be on display from 8am-4:30pm. A bus tour of SSC is scheduled at 12:30pm and 2:30pm. This is also free and requires pre-registration.

For information, send email inquiries to: ssc-sbs@ssc.nasa.gov. To register, go on line to www.ssc.nasa.gov/industry-day.

The Sixth Annual Business & Industry Expo will be held on Thursday,

August 21 at the Hancock County Civic Center, on Longfellow Road in Bay St. Louis on Thursday, August 21 from 4pm - 7pm.

Linda Graffeo, Chairman of the Member Services Committee of the Hancock Chamber said that this year the Committee has space for up to 95 exhibitors. As of today, there are only 18 booths left for Chamber members to reserve.

Last year, close to 1,000 consumers visited the show to view businesses and services available in the Hancock County area. Pette Leech was announced the winner of the \$1,000 cash prize drawing open to all people who visited the exhibit booths. Graffeo said the committee is offering another \$1,000 cash prize for the 2003 Expo.

In order to exhibit, you must be a member of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. The fee to participate is \$175 for 8 foot booths and \$200 for ten foot booths. Admission is \$3 per person and entitles participants to door prize drawings. To be eligible for the \$1,000 cash prize drawing, you must be 18 years of age or older and you must visit at least 50% of the exhibit

booths. The winning ticket will be drawn at 7pm.

Graffeo said this year, the Committee is adding a new opportunity for exhibitors. "We have found that many members would also like to network one on one with the exhibitors. That is why we established a business networking opportunity for exhibitors only on Wednesday, August 20, she said. Sponsorships are also available for the Expo and the Exhibitors Only reception.

Another added benefit for exhibitors is listings they will receive in the Expo Special Supplement produced and distributed by the Sea Coast Echo prior to the Show. The Expo will also be promoted to consumers through The Sun Herald, an Expo sponsor.

Graffeo invites businesses that have been considering joining the Hancock Chamber, to make the Expo that marketing reason to join now. To register and inquire about membership and Expo opportunities, please contact the Hancock Chamber at 467-9048. Or, stop by the Chamber at 412 Highway 90, Suite 6 in Bay St. Louis.

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Expo Schedule of Events
Wednesday, August 20
12 noon - 5 pm
Exhibitor Set-up

5 pm - 7 pm
Reception for Exhibitors Only

Thursday, August 21
4 pm - 7 pm - Expo
Exhibitors offer complimentary food and beverages, door prizes and give-aways
7pm-Announcement of \$1,000 cash prize winner and conclusion of the expo

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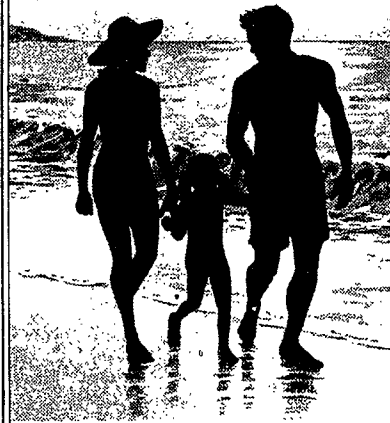
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Hancock County events calendar

August 1-8
Dixie Girls Pony Tails World Series

Saturday, August 9
Second Saturday - Old town Bay St. Louis

Saturday, August 9
Gulfside Assembly 80th Anniversary Celebration
6th Annual Men in Black Bow Ties Extravaganza
Harry Hoosier Hall, 950 South Beach Blvd., Waveland, 7pm, 467-4909

Monday, August 11
Hancock Chamber Member Services Committee Meeting, Chamber Office, 4pm

Tuesday, August 12
10am, Hancock Chamber Beautification Committee Meeting, the Chamber
12noon Dutch Lunch in the Kiln at Rooster's - Kathy Spainhower is featured speaker. Stennis Space

Center Industry Day is coming up on August 19. She will up-date the group on that event.

Thursday, August 14
3pm Hancock Chamber Education Committee Meeting, Hancock Chamber Office

4pm, Ribbon Cutting for the New Waveland Library, Coleman Avenue
5pm-7pm, Hancock Chamber Business After Hours at the New Waveland Library

Monday, August 18
12 noon Hancock Chamber Executive Committee Meeting, Chamber Office

5:30pm, Hancock Chamber Board Meeting, Hancock Medical Center, Education Complex

Tuesday, August 19
Stennis Space Center Industry Day

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis, 8am-4:30pm

Wednesday, August 20
Hancock Chamber Sponsors 6th Annual Business & Industry Expo
Exhibitor Set-up, 12 noon-5pm

Expo Reception for Exhibitors & Sponsors, 5-7pm

Hancock County Civic Center

Thursday, August 21
Hancock Chamber 6th Annual Business & Industry Expo
4pm-7pm, Hancock County Civic Center

7pm Announcement of \$1,000 Cash Prize Winner

August 20-23
Hancock County Fair
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Saturday, August 23
MDA Hair Cut-athon at the Holiday Inn Waveland

Wednesday, August 27
Hancock Chamber Ribbon Cutting, 4pm

Nexcall Communications, 1019 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis

Wednesday, August 27
The Arts, Hancock County Meeting, Hancock County Library in Bay St. Louis

Featured speaker: Tim Hedgepeth, Executive Director, MS Arts Commission. Time to be determined.

Thursday, August 28
Diamondhead Business & Professional Association Meeting, 8am, Diamondhead Country Club

After Hours, 5-7pm, Diamondhead Home Sales & Just Judy's

Sunday, August 31
Third Annual Wavefest
Coleman Avenue in Waveland, 10am-Dusk

Sponsored by: Coleman Avenue Coalition
Fireworks by Waveland Civic Association

Sales licenses issued

Alicia Cool, Lois Foreman and James Beckham have been issued real estate sales licenses.

Real estate examinations were held for the month of July 2003 in Jackson, for those persons desiring to enter the field of real estate sales, rentals and other related activities.

The examination consist of 100 questions prepared by the American College Testing Services (ACT) for Real Estate License Law Officials across the United States and Canada. Applicants are questioned concerning the Mississippi Real Estate Law and rules and regulations governing their activities in that vocation.

MDA hosts summit

The Mississippi Development Authority (MDA), Division of Tourism hosted its annual Tourism Summit on July 29th, at the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science. Each year the summit provides a forum for Tourism representatives throughout the state to gather together and review the state's tourism efforts.

MDA's Division of Tourism unveiled its new website "packaging" program that will soon be launched on the state's website, www.visitmississippi.org, which will allow users to package and purchase trips online. It will function like a shopping cart internet purchase and will allow one-stop shopping and customized itineraries to potential tourists in the state. For more information on the Summit, please call Mollie Murphy at 601-359-3297.

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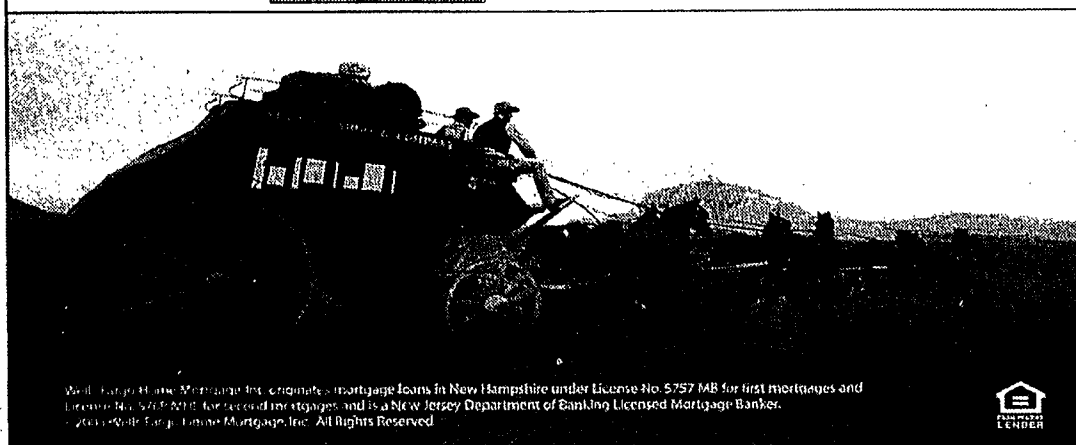
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Pearl River Community College registration takes place next week

Pearl River Community College officially kicks off a new school year next week when faculty and professional staff members return to campus.

The week begins Monday and Tuesday with student registration from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Forrest County Center in Hattiesburg.

Day and night registration for academic, career and technical classes will be held in the multipurpose Room in Building 5.

Night class registration in Poplarville will be Thursday from 3 to 6 p.m.

PRCC President William Lewis will address all faculty and staff at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday in a general assembly in the Nursing Building on the Poplarville campus.

Wednesday morning, new faculty and professional staff will meet with Dr. Lewis and other administrators.

That afternoon, academic faculty will meet with Dr. John Grant, Dean of Academic Affairs. Career

and technical faculty will meet with Don Welsh, Carter-Technical Director at PRCC, and Dr. Cecil Burt, Director of the Forrest County Center in Hattiesburg.

Thursday and Friday, Aug. 14-15, the faculty will be participating in student orientation and registration. New students who did not participate in early registration and who plan to enroll in fall classes should report at 8 a.m. each day to the Nursing Building for orientation.

Regular registration for the fall semester will be held the same days according to the following alphabetical last-name listing:

- Thursday, Aug. 14 — 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., A - F
- Friday, Aug. 15 — 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., N - Z

Late registration will be held Aug. 18-22. Day and night classes begin Monday, Aug. 18.

Pearl River Community College serves Forrest, Hancock, Jefferson Davis, Lamar, Marion and Pearl River counties.

Obituaries

Lakelawn Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans.

MARGARET NELSON
Margaret H. Nelson, 81, died Saturday, August 2, 2003 in Pass Christian.

She was a native of Decatur, AL and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 25 years. She was of the Presbyterian faith.

She was preceded in death by husband, Thomas Frederick Nelson, Jr., son, Thomas Frederick Nelson, III; parents, sister, brother and two grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters, Margaret Nan Robertson of Birmingham, AL and Patricia Seuzeneau of Pass Christian; four grandsons, Tad Black Jr. of Bay St. Louis; Tommy Seuzeneau of Pass Christian; Chris Robertson of Birmingham, AL; Mathew Robertson of Birmingham, Ala.

A visitation will be held today from 1 until 2 p.m. at the Roselawn Funeral Home, Decatur, AL.

The graveside service will follow at 2:00 p.m. at the Athen's City Cemetery, Athens, AL. Interment will follow Athens City Cemetery, Athens, AL.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations to the Hancock County Humane Society.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is



in charge of the local arrangements.

LUJEAN SULLIVAN
Lujean Sullivan, 50, died Sunday, August 3, 2003 in Waveland.

He was a native of Fair Ford, AL and a longtime resident of Bay St. Louis. He was of the Baptist Faith. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Woodrow and Annie Mac Sullivan; brother, Jimmy Sullivan; mother-in-law, Judith Hughes.

Survivors include his wife, Charlene Hughes Sullivan of Bay St. Louis; sister and sister-in-law, Sally Rosson of Waveland; Peggy Green of Bay St. Louis; Judy Coleman of AZ; brothers and sister-in-law, Underwood Sullivan of Kiln; Johnny Sullivan of Waveland; Paul Sullivan of Wilmer, AL; George Sullivan of Bay St. Louis; Thomas and Teresa Tilghman of Gauthier, MS; Harry K. and Corliss Grey of Bay St. Louis; Louis Grey and Robert Grey both of Bay

St. Louis; father-in-law, Howard Hughes of Bay St. Louis; a host of nieces and nephews.

A prayer service was held on Tuesday, August 5, 2003 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home. Interment followed in Lakeshore Cemetery, Lakeshore, MS. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

TRUDY W. WILSON

Trudy W. Wilson, 85, a resident of Timberidge subdivision in Pass Christian, died Saturday, Aug. 2, 2003, in Pass

Christian.

Ms. Wilson was a native of Concord, Mass., and a longtime resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack A. Wilson; a son, John Thomas Wilson; a grandson, Sean Thomas Gurtis; and her parents, Oscar and Maude Woodward Wood.

Survivors include her daughter, Lori Wilson-Reno and her husband, Pat Reno, of Pass Christian.

Funeral services will be Friday, Aug. 8, at

Riemann Pass Christian Chapel at 11 a.m., where friends may visit one hour prior to service. Burial will be at Floral Hills Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Gulfport.

The family prefers memorial contributions to the charity of which Mrs. Trudy Wilson founded, Gulf Coast Community Foundation, c/o Jack and Gertrude Wilson, Animal Welfare Fund, P.O. Box 1899, Gulfport, MS 39502.

Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian is in charge of arrangements.

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Biloxi Regional Medical Center and Gulf Coast Children's Clinic are very pleased to announce their affiliation with TRIM KIDS, "Committed to Kids" Weight Management Program. TRIM KIDS of Biloxi, the first scientifically supported, clinically proven children's weight management program on the Mississippi Gulf Coast will begin Sept. 9.

A community awareness program and general orientation session will be held at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Donal Snyder Center, 2520 Pass Road, Biloxi. For more information on Trim Kids of Biloxi, call 228-436-1667.

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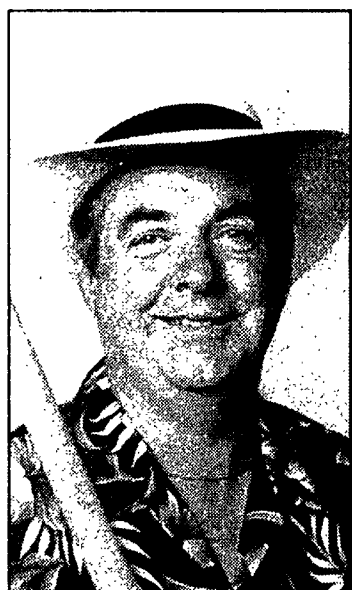
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Magilla Perilla is instantly famous



BY NORMAN WINTER
MSU Horticulturist
Central Mississippi
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Wherever I've gone this summer -- the Atlanta Botanical Garden, Park Seed Trials in South Carolina, even the landscape at North Park Mall in Jackson -- the Magilla Perilla has performed wonderfully.

Magilla Perilla became famous before gardeners even got a chance to try it. It is the plant that has shoppers everywhere counting the days until it is available at local garden centers.

With a name like that, even I could have marketed it. It may be the name that has captured the gardener's imagination now, but upon growing Magilla, everyone will tout its exotic beauty and durability.

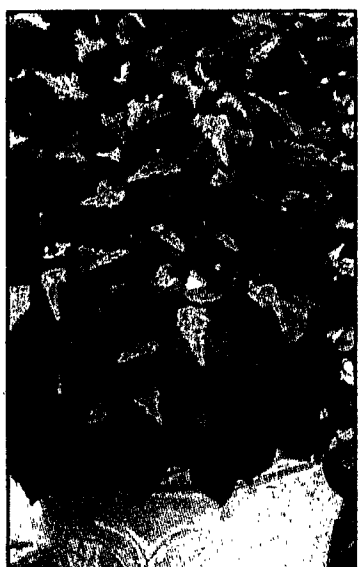
Magilla Perilla is one of those selections that offers today's hurried gardeners easy-to-grow, environmentally friendly plants that aesthetically enhance the home landscape.

The perilla is not very well-known. A few gardeners may be familiar with the old-fashioned Perilla frutescens, which almost looks like a small basil and is used as such, but Magilla is different.

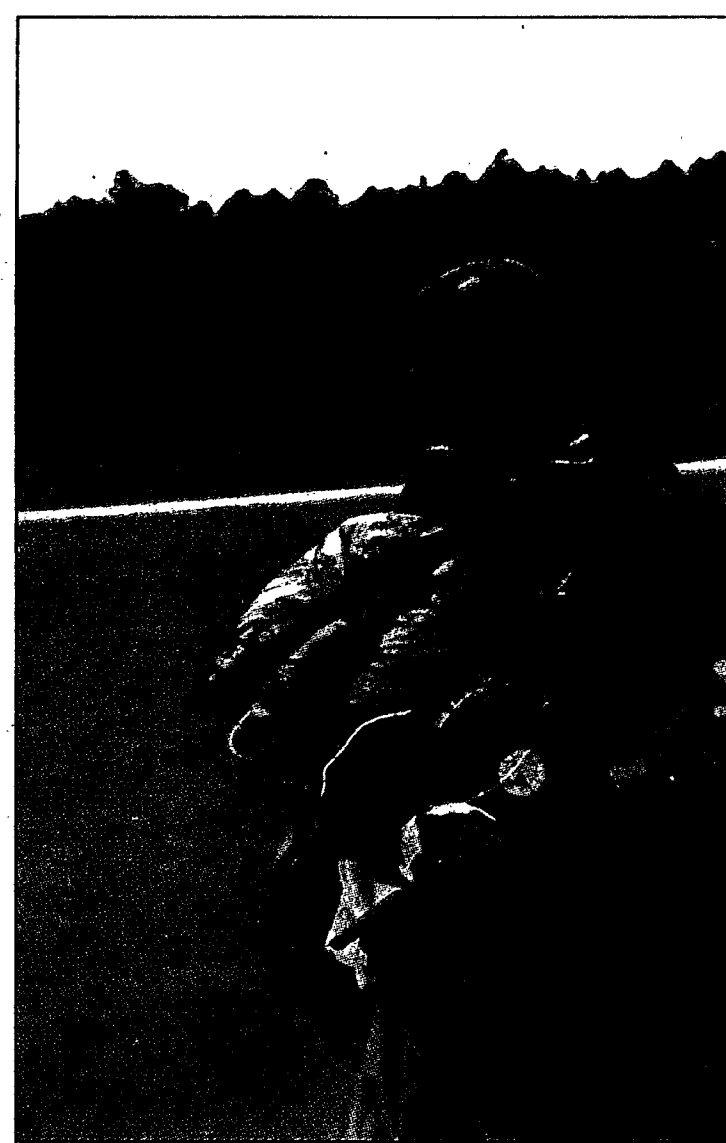
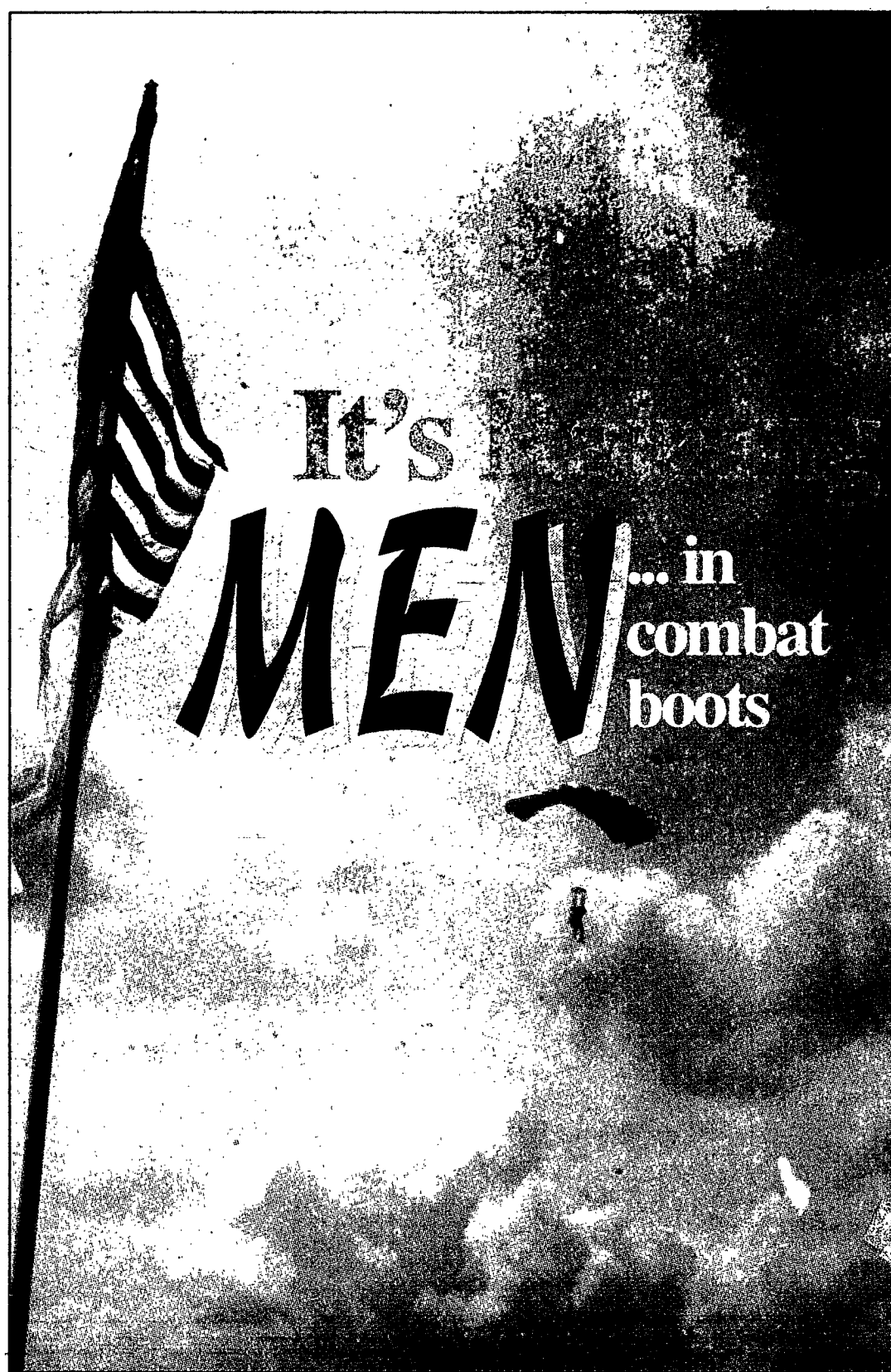
Magilla easily reaches 24 inches tall and has rounded foliage displaying brilliant splashes of hot pink, deep plum and green. These colors develop best in sun or bright, filtered light.

You could not ask for a better plant to get your chil-

GARDENING--4B



The bold, vibrant colors of the Magilla Perilla will add a tropical flair to any style garden.



A member of the Special Command shortly after landing on Tuesday. The men immediately repack their parachutes for another jump.

Stennis International Airport was a center of activity this week for the Naval Special Warfare Command as men from Special Boat Team 20, from Virginia, and from our own Special Boat Team 22 at Stennis Space Center joined together to get current on their parachute training.

A crew from Milwaukee, Wisconsin and the 95th Airlift Squadron, 440th Airlift Wing joined the men to provide the C-130 aircraft used in the training. Captains Peter Presser and Tara Jones flew the plane.

The Command actually consists of many special warfare units, the more commonly known and romanticized being the SEALs. In actuality, said special Boat Team 22 Operations Specialist Cory Clark, SEALs make up only a part of these

special units or teams.

The Special Warfare Command major centers of operation are located in California and Virginia under four major groups, two on each coast, said Clark.

Group 1 on the West Coast and Group 2 on the East coast consists of four SEALs teams. Group 3 on the West Coast and Group 4 on the East Coast each consist of a Seal Delivery

Vehicle Team and a Special Boat Unit.

Our own local Special Boat Unit 22 falls under the auspices

of Group 4, said Clark, and is unique in its mission of providing world wide riverine training. And though there are SEALs with the Unit of about 150 to 170 men, Clark wanted to make sure that it was understood that all the men in the Unit are not SEALs. Men from the Unit are deployed worldwide.

All the members of the Special Command go

NAVAL--4B

By BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer



Echo Staff Photos by Bennie Shallbetter

(Center) A good landing by a member of the Naval Special Warfare Command at the parachute training operation at the airport this week.

(Left) Commander Pat Butler and other members of Special Boat Unit 22 board a C-130 on Tuesday. The men jump out of the large door at the back of the airplane.

(Above) The men in the Naval Special Warfare Command are a close knit group. In training and on missions team mates must often put their lives in the hands of their team mates.

Hancock County Calendar of Events

Now- 8
Dixie Girls Pony Tails World Series
Saturday, August 9
Second Saturday - Old town Bay St. Louis
Saturday, August 9
7pm
Gulfside Assembly 80th Anniversary Celebration 6th Annual Men in Black Bow Ties Extravaganza
Harry Hoosier Hall
950 South Beach Blvd.
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Monday, August 11
4pm
Hancock Chamber Member Services Committee Meeting, Chamber Office
Tuesday, August 12
10am, Hancock Chamber Beautification Committee Meeting, the Chamber
12noon Dutch Lunch in the Kiln at Rooster's - Kathy Spainhower 'is featured speaker. Stennis Space Center Industry Day is coming up on August 19. She will up-date the group on that event.
Thursday, August 14
3pm Hancock Chamber Education Committee Meeting, Hancock Chamber Office
4pm, Ribbon Cutting for the New Waveland Library Coleman Avenue
5pm-7pm, Hancock Chamber Business After Hours at the New Waveland Library
Monday, August 18
12 noon Hancock Chamber Executive Committee Meeting, Chamber Office
5:30pm, Hancock Chamber Board Meeting, Hancock Medical Center, Education Complex
Tuesday, August 19
8am-4:30pm
Stennis Space Center Industry Day
Casino Magic Bay St. Louis

Wednesday, August 20
Hancock Chamber Sponsors
6th Annual Business & Industry Expo
Exhibitor Set-up, 12 noon - 5pm
Expo Reception for Exhibitors & Sponsors, 5-7pm
Hancock County Civic Center
Thursday, August 21
Hancock Chamber
6th Annual Business & Industry Expo
4pm-7pm
Hancock County Civic Center
7pm Announcement of \$1,000 Cash Prize Winner
August 20 - 23
Hancock County Fair
Monica Ladner
255-7467
Saturday, August 23
MDA Hair Cut-athon at the Holiday Inn Waveland
Wednesday, August 27
Hancock Chamber Ribbon Cutting, 4pm
Nexcall Communications, 1019 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis
Wednesday, August 27
The Arts, Hancock County
Meeting, Hancock County Library in Bay St. Louis
Featured speaker:
Tim Hedgepeth, Executive Director
MS Arts Commission
Time to be determined
Thursday, August 28
Diamondhead Business & Professional Association
Meeting, 8am, Diamondhead Country Club
After Hours, 5-7pm, Diamondhead Home Sales, & Just Judy's
Sunday, August 31
Third Annual Wavefest
Coleman Avenue in Waveland
10am-Dusk
Sponsored by: Coleman Avenue Coalition
Fireworks by Waveland Civic Association

USAA Award winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Louis Edward Prendergast III from Bay St. Louis has been named a United States National Award Winner in Foreign Language.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Prendergast, who now attends Bay High School, was nominated for this national award by Joe Shaw, a coach at the middle school.

Prendergast will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers,



Louis E. Prendergast III coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Prendergast is the son of Louis and Shirley Prendergast from Bay St. Louis. The grandparents are Madeline Prendergast and the late Louis Prendergast Sr. of Bay St. Louis and Jo Ready of Picayune and Allen Ready of Bay St. Louis.

Dominion Christian Academy graduates in special ceremony



B.J. Dardar



Amanda Francis



Angela Westmoreland



Rachel Cotten



Sarah Jeanfreau

Dominion Christian Academy and High School celebrated the graduation of five of its students Friday, May 30. Amanda Francis had already received her diploma in

December 2002, but was honored publicly with her other classmates. She is currently attending MGCCC. The other four, Rachel Cotten, Sarah Jeanfreau, Angela

Westmoreland, and B.J. Dardar received their diplomas Friday night, and are planning to attend PRCC and MGCCC this fall or spring of 2004.

Millsaps names Spring 2003 graduates

THE SEA COAST ECHO
Founded in 1890 and affiliated with the United Methodist Church, Millsaps College ranks in the top third of all national liberal

arts colleges in the country and is 20th in value according to a September 2002 edition of the *U.S. News & World Report*.

The college is the only

institution in Mississippi ever to be listed in The Fiske Guide to Colleges.

Local graduates are:
• Marlena Evans of Bay

St. Louis

• Aimee Bourdeaux of Diamondhead

• Amanda Pullen of Diamondhead

DuPont chief joins Conservancy board

The Mississippi Chapter of The Nature Conservancy welcomes Patricia Nichols of DuPont Titanium Technologies and Michael Rast of Weyerhaeuser Company to its volunteer Board of Trustees. The two new trustees were elected in July for three-year terms.

The Mississippi Board of Trustees is a diverse group of people committed to conservation. The board includes prominent conservationists as well as business leaders. All members share the desire to see large-scale conservation succeed and possess a depth of expertise to help make that vision happen.

"We are delighted that Pat and Mike have joined the Board," said Chair Harry Walker of Trustmark National Bank. "Both bring great experience and perspectives that will greatly enhance our knowledge and insights in accomplishing the mission of The Nature Conservancy in Mississippi."

Nichols is currently plant manager of the DuPont DeLisle site in Pass Christian. DuPont recently worked with the Conservancy on a Coastal

Preserve Program acquisition on the Wolf River for the state. DuPont is also a member of the Mississippi Chapter's Corporate Council for the Environment.

Rast is Weyerhaeuser's regional environmental manager in Columbus. Weyerhaeuser, an international forest products com-

pany, has contributed to the Tombigbee River Watershed Program in northeast Mississippi. Weyerhaeuser's donation allowed the Conservancy to open an office in Tupelo and concentrate on community-based conservation efforts. Weyerhaeuser is also a member of the Chapter's Corporate Council for the

Environment.

The Nature Conservancy is a leading international, nonprofit organization that preserves plants, animals and natural communities representing the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive. Visit us on the Web at nature.org/mississippi.

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Call for art entries deadline extended

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First Place: \$1000.00
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SPORTS

Ladies of the Rings



The Bay-Waveland School District Board of Trustees held a special meeting Tuesday to honor the 2003 Bay High Lady Tigers basketball team. The players and Coach Debbie Triplett were presented with rings to commemorate their outstanding performance last season.

Echo staff photo by Joe Gex

Lady Tigers receive rings at special session

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
Staff Writer

The final pieces of hardware were passed out to the 2003 Bay High Lady Tigers basketball team commemorating their legendary run to the Class 4A state championship on Tuesday, August 5.

The rings were presented to team members and head coach Debbie Triplett at a special session called for the Bay-Waveland School District. On hand to present the rings were Dr. Kim Stasny, superintendent, Dr. Sherry Ponder, board member, and Coach Clevan Williams, board member.

The rings were designed by Herff-Jones of Jackson and were ordered in either gold or silver. The royal blue stone was encrusted with the Tigers mascot. On one shank of the ring featured the players name and number, the year of the championship, and the team's record of 35-1. On the opposite shank, going from top to bottom, were "Lady Tigers" followed by a small rendition of the state of Mississippi in which "4A" was emblazoned in the middle, and "Bay High" printed beneath it. On the top of the ring surrounding the stone were the words "State Champions".

Before a packed room of parents and family members, Dr. Kim Stasny stated, "It is an honor to present these rings to this team who have represented our district very well."

Other pieces of hardware the Lady Tigers received following their championship run were gold medals presented by the state following the game. At Bay High School, the team members were presented to the school body in a special assembly prior to the end of the year. At the school assembly the team members were presented a yellow rose by the school.

Red snapper season closes at noon today

Commercial fishing season for red snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*) closes in Mississippi marine territorial waters on Aug. 7, 2003, at noon.

The National Marine Fisheries Service has determined that the spring commercial quota of red snapper is projected to be reached on this date. The 2003 Gulf of Mexico spring red snapper quota is 3.6 million pounds.

The closing of commercial red snapper season in Mississippi marine territorial waters coincides with the closing of red snapper season in federal waters.

The closing of the commercial red snapper season is issued under the authority of Section 49-15-15 (1) (a) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 (Annotated) and Order of the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources (Dec. 5, 1995).

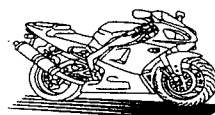
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Contest to develop new Rebel mascot

THE SEA COAST ECHO

University of Mississippi Athletics Director Pete Boone Tuesday announced a nationwide contest to come up with a new Ole Miss mascot.

Contest rules call for "a figure who demonstrates a fighting spirit, exhibits independence, and challenges the status quo." The creator of the winning design will receive a \$5,000 cash prize and two South Zone season tickets to all Rebel home football games for three years.

Boone said the university's 18-member Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics will select three finalists from the entries submitted. Students, active members of the Alumni Association, faculty and staff, donors to the athletics program, and season ticket holders then will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite design from among the finalists. The athletics committee will make the final decision based on input from the poll and announce the winner in late September.

"The decision to replace the 20-year-old mascot with a new energetic, vibrant figure has generated a great deal of interest," said Boone. "We've decided to open up the process for people to send us their suggestions and let our supporters have a voice in the selection."

He said the new mascot image will become a university trademark and will be used in a variety of formats including printed materials, merchandise, clothing, banners, and electronic presentations.

The deadline for contest entries is September 8. Entries should be submitted in an electronic format on a compact disk, or camera

ready on 8x10 illustration board. All entries become the property of the university.

Contest rules and an entry agreement are available on the athletics department Web site at www.olemisssports.com/contest and www.olemisssports.tv/contest, or may be requested by writing to: Rebel Mascot/Logo Contest, c/o

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Court St. Station hosts Civil Servers benefit for Annabelle's Home Aug. 23

Court St. Station will host Civil Servers, a benefit featuring celebrity waiters, for Annabelle's Home, a primate sanctuary in the Kiln that serves as a home for monkeys that are endangered species.

If you've ever wanted the Bay St. Louis police chief to bring you a glass of wine or your councilman to bring you a piece of cheesecake, here's your chance. Don't forget to tip them well, because all the gratuities go to Annabelle's Home.

This event will take

place Aug. 23 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Barbara Heally, also known as the "Monkey Lady," has been rescuing and rehabilitating primates for many years. Many of these animals have been abused and starved. Their only hope for a decent life is a place like Annabelle's Home.

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many places like the sanctuary, many of these primates have been destroyed.

The sanctuary has been kept a secret to protect the animals. The monkeys are usually in a delicate condition when they get to the home, and sightseers could cause them more stress.

Annabelle's Home was named for a snub tail

Makak who was rescued by Heally from a roadside circus. She had been badly mistreated and was to the point of death. Annabelle was cared for and brought back to health.

She lived the remaining years of her life with the Heally family. After her death, the sanctuary was named in her memory because her story embodied the goal the sanctuary strives for.

For reservations, call 228-467-3636. Court St. Station is located at 200 South Beach Blvd. in Bay St. Louis.

Now is time to buy flood insurance, FEMA says

Even as communities hit by Hurricane Claudette recover, officials of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) remind renters and property owners that the most active portion of the 2003 hurricane season is still ahead, and they urge those in Atlantic and Gulf Coast states to purchase flood insurance policies quickly to obtain financial protection from floodwaters and storm surge.

"Buying flood insurance is one of the most important things people can do to help themselves recover from flood damage," said Michael D. Brown, FEMA Director and Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Emergency Preparedness and Response. "It's especially critical during hurricane season for residents along our coasts and inland to safeguard their property against the devastating effects of widespread floods."

The National Flood

Insurance Program (NFIP), administered by FEMA, makes federally backed flood insurance available in communities that adopt and enforce floodplain management ordinances to reduce future flood losses by regulating new construction.

Currently, more than 4.4 million policies representing \$640 billion worth of coverage are in force in nearly 20,000 participating communities - most communities in the U.S.

"Flood damage, unlike wind damage, is not covered by homeowner's or business insurance policies," Brown said. "This coverage must be purchased separately and is available only in communities that participate in the NFIP. There's usually a 30-day waiting period before a new flood insurance policy becomes effective, so don't wait until the water is rising."

Brown also had a warning for people who think they can rely on federal disaster assistance in lieu of flood insurance.

"Disaster assistance is only available when the

President issues a major disaster declaration," he said. "Even then, it is quite limited and usually in the form of a loan that must be repaid, with interest. It is hardly a substitute for flood insurance, which also covers losses from small, localized flood events."

"Flood insurance may be purchased through most insurance companies and licensed insurance agents," said FEMA's Mitigation Division Director Anthony S. Lowe, who administers the NFIP.

Lowe said the maximum coverage amounts for a single-family home are \$250,000 for the structure and \$100,000 for its contents.

Renters may also purchase up to \$100,000 of coverage for their personal belongings. Maximum coverages for businesses are \$500,000 for buildings and \$500,000 for contents.

The NFIP is a self-supporting program. All claims and operating expenses are paid from policyholder premiums, not tax dollars.

Furthermore, it is estimated that NFIP building standards prevent \$1 billion in flood losses annually and reduce the burden of disaster relief costs on all taxpayers.

For information about flood insurance, property owners should contact their insurance agent or call the NFIP's toll-free information line at 1-800-427-4661.

Flood insurance information is also available on FEMA's website at www.fema.gov/nfip/

On March 1, 2003, FEMA became part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. FEMA's continuing mission within the new department is to lead the effort to prepare the nation for all hazards and effectively manage federal, response and recovery efforts following any national incident.

FEMA also initiates proactive mitigation activities, trains first responders, and manages Citizens Corps, the National Flood Insurance Program and the U.S. Fire Administration.

Gardening

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dren or grandchildren involved in the fun of gardening. They will love the funny, cartoon-sounding name and the vibrant colors. They will find it easy to grow as the center of a large, mixed container on the porch, patio or deck.

In the landscape, Magilla Perilla performs best in fertile, well-drained soil. If your soil is tight or heavy, amend with 3 to 4 inches of organic matter like compost or humus. Grow three to five plants spaced 14 to 16 inches apart for a breathtakingly beautiful display.

Use in combination with pink or magenta shades of Cooler Periwinkles for a look that will be as colorful and tropical as Carnival in Rio.

In fact, the vibrant, tropical colors of the Magilla make them ideal as understory plantings to large bananas, upright elephant ears or pink cannas. Be bold and also use Magilla with ornamental grasses. The most obvious

companion would be purple fountain grass.

Keep Magilla watered and mulched during the growing season. Feed with a light application of a slow-release, balanced fertilizer a month after planting and again in mid-summer.

Many gardeners first think Magilla Perilla is a coleus. It is in the same family and does have some of the same cultural requirements. For instance, a good pinching in mid- or late-summer, if needed, will keep the plant bushy.

Sure, we will keep growing the old "tried-and-true" favorites, but you have to admit, it is fun to garden today because of the new and unusual plants like this one that keep popping up.

Magilla Perilla has been available in very good numbers for a brand-new plant. If your garden center is out, don't fret. Get it next year or ask if they will have a new crop for late summer or early fall.

Naval

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through rigorous training to prepare them for special warfare missions.

Men in the Special Warfare Command want to be here, said one member of Unit 20, and the Command has one of the highest rates of career individuals of any of the military forces. The extreme pressure of both training and missions tends to draw the men in these units into a close knit group and they consider their team mates as family or closer, as their lives often depend on their ability to work as one.

Initial training is conducted in California, said Clark, but training is a way of life for the men. They must be ready at a moments notice to get on a plane and go

anywhere they are needed. The parachute training takes place two to four times a year at Stennis Airport and the men said they all love to come here to train, one reason being the special treatment they get. Each day, someone in the community provides them with a feast for lunch.

This week American Legion Post 77, Phillips Aviation, Port and Harbor employees and other provided meals. Next month more teams will be training from September 12-18. Individuals, community groups or businesses are needed to provide daily lunches. If you would like to help with this, please call meal coordinators Julie Muench at 332-9942 or Cheryl Coogan at 467-7070.

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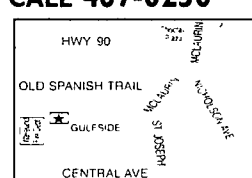
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Mississippi hospital receives CDC grant to study long-term effects of West Nile virus

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Jack Fowler's bout with West Nile virus put him in the hospital for nine days last September, but the retired Jackson dentist says he's back to full throttle. I work like a Trojan outside," he says.

Betty Mitchell, on the other hand, still suffers from lack of muscle control, even though it has been over a year since the Madison art teacher contracted West Nile virus infection. "Sometimes when I walk, I look like I've had too much to drink," she says.

Why Fowler recovered fully and Mitchell hasn't remains a puzzle for now. But a study underway at Methodist Rehabilitation Center in Jackson may help unravel the mystery.

Researchers at the hospital's Center for Neuroscience and Neurological Recovery (CNNR) recently received an \$82,000 grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to do follow-up studies on patients with West Nile virus infection in collaboration with the Mississippi State Department of Health. Principal investigators are CNNR director Dr. Dobrovoje Stokic and CNNR senior scientist Dr. Art Leis.

"The CNNR at Methodist Rehab was a logical choice for this grant because of the center's previous research on West Nile," said Dr. Sally Slavinski, an epidemiologist

for MSDH.

Last fall, Methodist Rehabilitation Center researchers were the first to report a link between West Nile virus and a polio-like paralysis in some of its victims.

"Last year's findings have been instrumental in the identification of the pathological process in certain patients," Slavinski said. "This additional research will provide us with a better understanding of the long-term medical problems associated with WNV illness and allow the MSDH to better respond to the health care needs of people with WNV illness and then health care costs."

Stokic said the study will examine the outcome of two groups: patients who experienced muscle weakness during the acute stage of the illness and those who didn't.

"The long-term outcome of people with muscle weakness has not been carefully studied, so we don't know to what extent they recover," Stokic said. "We have seen some recover in days, some recover in longer periods and some are still paralyzed. We want to know what kind of recovery has taken place in the past year so that we can compare it to their evaluation soon after they were infected. We hope this will eventually tell us if the severity of initial impairment is related to long-term outcome."

Such knowledge would help physicians better manage the care of patients. "If physicians know what to

expect in a year's time, they can appropriately plan treatment options," Stokic said. For example, a patient destined to remain in a wheelchair would need more extensive rehabilitation services than one with short lived muscle weakness.

Stokic said that 40 patients will be recruited for the study and participants are still needed. Researchers are looking for patients who had a confirmed case of West Nile virus infection in 2002 and who developed symptoms during the acute stage of the disease. Stokic, said anyone interested in participating in the study should call him at 601-364-3314. Patients will receive a nominal fee for their participation.

The 20 study participants who exhibited muscle weakness will be expected to answer a questionnaire and undergo extensive clinical and laboratory examinations. Participants without muscle weakness will only answer the questionnaire.

As one who knows the seriousness of a West Nile virus infection, Fowler said he's glad to see further study for the disease. "It's a good thing because there's so much they still don't know or aren't sure of," he said. Mitchell also advocates more research, particularly if it leads to better prevention efforts. I think it's very needed because we live where mosquitoes are and we can't get away from them," she said. We need

some type of vaccine or something because everyone isn't going to walk around all wrapped up and with DEET on."

For more information about West Nile virus, go to methodistonline.org.

Methodist Rehabilitation Center provides comprehensive medical rehabilitation programs for people with spinal cord and brain injuries, stroke and other neurological and orthopedic disorders and treats patients from all of Mississippi's 82 counties and from other states. The Jackson hospital was named one of America's best by US News and World Report and is one of only 16 hospitals in the nation designated as a Traumatic Brain Injury Model System by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research.

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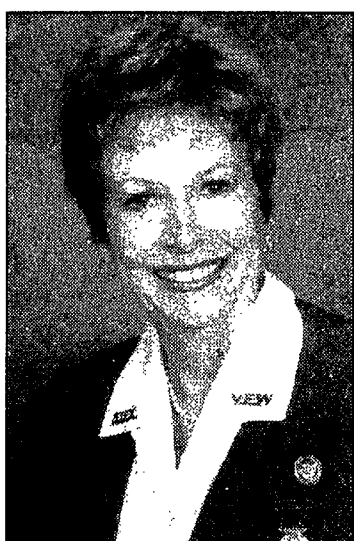
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Sue Richard

Richard named state president

On June 20-22, 2003, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and Ladies Auxiliary of Mississippi held their annual State Convention in Jackson.

Sue Richard, a resident of Kiln, MS, was elected and installed as state president at the Ladies Auxiliary VFW's 63rd convention. She is a life member of Auxiliary 2539, Gulfport, MS. Mrs. Richard will serve as president for the ensuing 2003-2004 year, and will lead the Ladies Auxiliaries under the theme "Kindness is Contagious - Catch It".

Under Richard's leadership, members of the Ladies Auxiliaries of Mississippi will participate with the VFW in promoting patriotism, protecting veterans' entitlements, volunteering in local and veterans' hospitals and nursing homes, serving in the community, and supporting the VFW National Home for Children. The Auxiliaries also raises funds to support cancer aid and research; Operation Uplink program, which allows active duty men and women and hospitalized veterans to call home; and sponsors several youth scholarships and contests.

Birth Announcements

ANDREA MARIA JEAN PRZYTARSKI

SMSgt. and Mrs. Andrew Przytarski of Biloxi announces the birth of their third child, Andrea Maria Jean, June 18, 2003 at 9:52 p.m. at Keesler Medical Center, Keesler AFB.

She weighed 6 pounds, 13.8 ounces.

Mrs. Jamie C. Przytarski is the former Jamie C. Butsch of Bay St. Louis.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Butsch, Jr. of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Felix Przytarski of Racine, WI and the late Jean Melarek of Franksville, WI.

Great grandparents include Catherine Gregory of Waveland and the late Patrick Toomey.

And is welcomed by brothers Nicklaus and Hunter.

KEATON WAYNE DAVIS

Ricky and Tonya Davis of Pass Christian announces the birth of their child, Keaton Wayne Davis, July 9, 2003 at 10:50 a.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces.

Mrs. Tonya Davis is the former Tonya Morgan.

Maternal grandparents are Monty and Gail Baxley of Gulfport.

Paternal grandparents are Jeff and Sue Beaver of Pass Christian and Ricky Davis of Saucier.

Great-grandparents are Louie and Ruby Spaniol of Gulfport and Jerry and Patsy Holley.

Keaton is welcomed by brothers Kaleb, Shelby and Caleb and sisters Destiny and Sydney.

CHASE ALEXANDAR MELTON

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Melton of Bay St. Louis announces the birth of their third child, Chase Alexander, July 21, 2003 at 7:31 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center.

He weighed 9 pounds, 7 ounces.

Mrs. Sandy Melton is the former Sandy Reed.

Maternal grandparents are Roy and Mary Reed of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Clara Melton of Paducah, KY.

Great-grandparents include Gladys Benoit of Bowlington.

Chase is welcomed by sister Tessa and Brooke.

KIERSTEN MARIE LAFONTAINE

Charles LaFontaine, III and Brandi Johnston of Bay St. Louis announces the birth of their first child, Kiersten Marie, June 18, 2003 at 2:17 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center.

She weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Donald Johnston of Bay St. Louis and Kim Thomsen of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Charles "Bubba" LaFontaine Jr. of Kiln and Lisa Peneguy of Pass Christian.

Great grandparents include Richard Johnston and the late Mary Johnston; Roger and Wanda Sprouse of Kiln; Nora LaFontaine and the late Charles LaFontaine Sr. of Waveland; Ann and Richard Peneguy of Pass Christian.

EMILY ERIN ELIZABETH GARCIA

Aristide and Dawn

Garcia of Gulfport announces the birth of their third child Emily Erin Elizabeth, July 16, 2003 at 11:07 p.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces.

Mrs. Dawn Garcia is the former Dawn Woods.

Maternal grandparents are Beverly Woods of Gulfport.

Paternal grandparents are Argile and Marie Garcia of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include Ray and Jean McAtee of Gulfport.

Emily is welcomed by brother Zachary and sister Kerrigan.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Waveland, Mississippi was the recipient of a 2000 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Project for road improvements to serve Wal-Mart SuperCenter and the recipient of a 2000 Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Project for ADA improvements to Waveland City Hall. Both Community Development Block Grant projects are funded through the Community Development Block Grant Program from the Mississippi Development Authority. A public meeting will be held at City Hall, 301 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS on Thursday, August 21, 2003 at 4:00 PM for the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Project No. 00-379-ED-IF01 and at 4:15 PM for the 2000 Community Development Block Grant Public Facilities Project No. 00-379-ED-PF-01. The purpose of these meetings will be to provide citizens with information regarding progress of the activities undertaken through the Community Development Block Grant Program and to receive citizen input concerning that progress. All comments are welcome.

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7'X16" COOLER/FREEZER. For Sale. \$700. firm. 466-3490 after 6:00p.m. Perfect for seafood.

G.E. WASHER, \$75.00. SOFA and chair, \$100.00. 2 bingo tables, 1 large.. \$10.00, 1 small, \$5.00. Drafting table, \$10.00. All in good condition. 467-1939.

GUN SAFE, AMERICAN SECURITY. \$650. 467-8534.

IRON QUEEN BED SET w/canopy, new corner computer desk, 7-1/2' Blue Spruce Christmas tree. 463-0814.

PIANO, PECAN FINISH. LIKE NEW, \$1000. obo, make offer. 467-2004.

WASHER & DRYER, LIVING ROOM set, dinner set, bedroom sets, lots of more furniture. etc. Call 228-383-3838.

84 Furniture

FURNITURE SALES OR 90 DAYS same as cash. Dollar Rental/Retail. 467-9545.

85 Building Materials

DISCOUNT PRICES for QUALITY MATERIALS

Galvalume - \$1.19/linear foot Painted Rib Panels

From \$1.19 to \$1.68 linear foot Purlins, Carports, RV Shelters, Metal Buildings, Mobile Home

Doors and Windows available by Special Order

Smith & Jones WAREHOUSE SALES

2nd Sidel exit (#263) at Coast Blvd. & I-10

1-800-842-6646 or 985-641-0793

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING taken at St. Stanislaus Cafeteria for the positions of cook and kitchen assistant. No experience needed. Must be able to work flexible hours and weekends. Apply at St. Stanislaus Cafeteria during the hours of 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., 113 Booker Street.

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CLERK/CASHIER FOR GAS Station, convenience store. 2:00-9:00p.m. shift, Thurs-Sun. Apply at Spur Station, 127 Hwy 90, Waveland

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BUS DRIVERS NEEDED. CDL's will train. Start \$8.00/hr. Prior exp. honored. Call 228-466-9002. Apply at 1023 Hwy 90. Laidlaw Educational Services.

EXPERIENCED PAINTERS needed Must have transportation. Call after 5:00p.m. 467-5935.

FIELD TECHNICIAN NEEDED for Hancock County. Must have valid drivers license and be able to pass drug screening. 1-800-866-3561.

GOVERNMENT JOBS \$11-\$48/HR. Paid training, full benefits 1-800-320-9353 ext. 2538.

TAX PREPARERS/STUDENT needed. Join our team now. Flexible schedule, hourly rates + bonus package, tuition, free tax courses, morning & evening. Starting September 8. Call Jackson Hewitt Tax Service 1-866-680-1040

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90 Pets

AKC BOXER PUPS, 2 LITTERS. \$350. & up. 466-4710 or 463-9443.

DACHSHUND MINI, RED ONLY, 2 left, \$150. 255-5596.

FOR SALE 1 YEAR OLD CKC REG. beagle, \$60.00. 467-4962 after 5:00.

93 Yard Sale

10029 YAZOO ST. SAT. 9:00-2:00. Moving sale, washer & dryer, lots of furniture & appliances. Take 603 to old Chevron station by Kiln Waveland to Gilac turn right, turns into Yazoo St.

111 MAIN ST. B.S.L. FRIDAY, AUG. 8th. & Saturday, Aug. 9th 8:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Flea market items & tattered treasures. Vintage, old linen scarves, gloves & hankies, furniture & glass ware.

525 GENIN STREET. B.S.L. (located at the corner of Carroll Ave and Genin Street). Saturday only, August 9th, rain or shine. 8:00am-11am. Furniture, clothes, collectibles, house wares. Lots of stuff.

DAY'S FRONTIER BLDG: 600 Hwy 90. Rain or shine. Aug. 7th, 8th, 9th, 8:00-4:00. Baby clothes, furniture, old & new items.

LARGE BEACH FRONT Community sale. 104 Beach View Dr., P.C. Corner Hwy 90. Saturday August 9th, 7:00-11:00. Proceeds benefit Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

LARGE FAMILY YARD SALE: FRIDAY Aug. 8, 9-6. Saturday Aug. 9, 8-4. Fenton Community Center, Kiln-Delisle Road. Lots of clothes, toys, and romance books.

OOPS! GARAGE SALE MISTAKE!! If you bought tall, beige filing cabinet at 398 Washington, Aug. 1, please call. We need papers it contained. 467-3810.

SAT., AUG. 9TH, 8:00am-11:00am. Estate items; dishes, furniture, tools, misc. 147 Helen Dr. BSL. 467-0656.

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, Tools, dolls, furniture. One piece or house full. Call 467-2628 days.

CASH FOR UNWANTED ITEMS before garage sale, moving, estate disposal or cleaning out. Buying trinkets, household, tools, antiques, sheds/garage items. Wood furniture etc. Call 467-4857 if we can help you out. Also cleaning out sheds/garages for cash/contents. All messages returned promptly.

WE BUY OLD WATCHES, WRIST, & pocket, rings, gold, estate pieces. \$5Cash\$5 Bayou Jewelers. 466-0425.

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46 Home Improvement

128 Boats & Motors

17' O'DAY SAILBOAT ON TRAILER. In good condition, make offer. Call for more details. 467-3008.

ALL NEW, 16' POLAR KRAFT 100 ga Mod-V alum, 25 Yamaha 4 stroke elec start tiller, 3 year warranty, galv trailer, \$5000. cash firm. 463-1463 or 332-1979.

FOR SALE, 15' FIBER GLASS SKIFF, 18 h.p. Evinrude, runs good & trailer. \$450. 466-6512.

130 Motorcycles

1995 YAMAHA VIRAGO, 7,000 miles, custom paint, extras, mechanically perfect, \$3,500. o.b.o. 469-0821. Call between 7:30a.m.-9:00a.m. or 7:00p.m.-11:00p.m. E-mail GGG@I55.com

136 Automobiles

1988 PONTIAC 6000, ONE OWNER, 60,000 original miles, 4 new tires, stereo (228)467-5030.

1992 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL, excellent shape, everything works. \$2995. Call 228-383-3838.

1997 JEEP WRANGLER, AUTO, air, blue hard top, 102,000 miles. \$7,500 228-463-9863.

1997 Mercury Marquis GS, EXCELLENT condition, low mileage, make offer. 6658 Aheloko Cir. Diamondhead, 255-1110.

1999 LINCOLN TOWN CAR: VERY good condition, high mileage, asking \$10,500. 493-5496 or 493-3692.

2001 TOYOTA AVALON, EXC. cond., one owner, non smoker 48,200 miles., \$23,800. 255-8195 or 255-4745.

NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles will be sold 30 days after the first publication:

1996 DUTCHMAN TRAILER VIN#47CF02L25T1066879

1984 NISSAN P/U VIN#JN6ND01S9EW003605

1990 PONTIAC GRAND AM VIN#1G2NE141U1C200242

1992 GEO METRO VIN#2C1MR2460N6722212

1990 HYUNDAI VIN#KMHVD32J0LU010098

1993 INFINITI VIN#JNKG01C6PM221548

Mike Pernicaro Auto & Wrecker 10001 Pernicaro Ln. Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 228-467-7005

7/24/7/31/8/07/03

NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

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1996 FORD TAURUS GL VIN#1FALP52U3TA141588

Winstead Automotive, LLC 904 Highway 90 Waveland, MS 39576 228-467-3060

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FORD F-150 VIN#F10FUDH6009

97 CHEVY MALIBU VIN#1G1ND52M9V657742

93 FORD THUNDERBIRD VIN#1FAPP62T3PH134796

90 ISUZU PICKUP VIN#4S1CL11L4L4204907

GEO METRO VIN#2C1MR2261V6747283

86 LINCOLN TOWN CAR VIN#1LNBM81F2HY689207

93 DODGE CARAVAN VIN#2B4GH2532PR317832

87 DODGE VAN VIN#2B4HB21T9HK224988

Moss Towing 4087 Thirteenth Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 228-467-5227

8/7/8/14/8/21/03

138 Trucks, Vans

1979 FORD F-100, TRUCK, RUNS good, needs a little work \$800. 466-4394, 332-0455.

2000 CHEVY 1500 V6, LOW MILES, great condition \$11,500. 467-0133 467-6670.

143 Real Estate Services

"All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis."

147 Apartments For Rent

1/BR APT. ALL UTILITIES PAID \$225/mo. 463-0108.

1/BR APT. NEAR OLD TOWN B.S.L. central a/h \$400/mo. plus one months deposit. 467-0792.

1/BR APT., UTILITIES INCLUDED, close to beach. First & last rent & references. \$400/mo 467-9206.

2 BEDROOM SPECIAL \$350.00 Limited time only. Signature Lake Apartments 452-9901.

The Waverly Apartments

NOW LEASING

Brand New!! 1, 2 & 3 BR's

New Special: 1999 Deposit

1st Month Rent FREE

(228) 463-2635

FOR RENT: 1 BEDROOM Furnished apartment. Call A.J. 467-8401.

FOR RENT: 2/BR APT. W/DOUBLE fire place & screen porch & 1/Br. cottage, walking distance to beaches & down town B.S.L. Call between 7:30a.m.-9:00a.m. or 7:00p.m.-11:00p.m. 469-0821 or e-mail GGG@I-55.com

NEW CONST-2/BR, WASHER/DRYER, dishwasher, ref., range included. Quiet neighborhood in county. \$600/mo., \$600/dep. 467-5601.

UPSTAIRS 1 BEDROOM EFFICIENT apartment, 131 Main St., Unit G. \$325/month, \$325/deposit. References required. 255-0924.

148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2BR/1BA TRAILER FOR RENT IN Kiln, Pet/free. 255-9397.

2BR/1BA, FENCED YARD, \$425/mo 467-9278.

3/BR UNFURNISHED MONTHLY. Also 2br furnished w/utilities monthly/weekly. Laundromat, Pet/free! Pearlinton Ms. 228-533-7001

3BR/2BA., QUIT, LARGE OAKS, screen porch, pet free, \$450/per month, \$450/dep. 467-4683.

NICE TRAILER 16 W. PET/FREE call 255-7180.

SMALL 1/BR FURNISHED TRAILER includes cable & all bills paid. \$100/Wk \$100/Dep. Cell: 504-616-3582

149 Mobile Homes For Sale

1995, 16X80, 3BR/2BA; garden tub, covered front porch, large back deck, central air/heat, stove included, \$18,000. 332-0937.

24X56, 1983 LAKEWOOD Doublewide, 3Br/2Ba, fireplace, new roof, siding, appliance included, \$11,500. Must move. 467-0836.

2BR. TRAILER, NEW APPLIANCE, new carpet, partially furnished, central air/heat, \$4500. 467-6106.

3BR/2BA, MOBILE HOME ON 3 acres, Maple St. in Springwood Sub. (225)567-2141

BRIGHTON MOBILE HOME 14ft x58ft., \$4,000. o.b.o. Must be moved. Call cell, 380-1527.

150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

#13 PARADISE POINT 2BR/1BA \$550/month, \$550/security deposit. 467-9278.

1/2 MILE FROM BEACH OFF Lake-shore Rd. Small 2Br/1Ba, living room, large den, fenced back yard, central a/h. Annual lease, \$500/mo. plus deposit, pet free. 601-798-5720.

1BR/1BA, 1/2 MILE FROM BEACH, \$360/mo, \$300/dep. And 3br/1ba, 1/2 mile from beach, \$465/mo, \$400/dep. Also 2br/1ba, washer/dryer connection, \$600/mo, \$400/dep. Quiet neighborhood, new construction, call 466-0653.

2 BED, 1 BATH, B.S.L., \$450/MO plus deposit 467-3192.

2 BEDROOM HOUSE CENTRAL A/C, pet free, \$500/mth., \$500/dep. 1 yr. lease. Kelvin J. Schulz, 467-6501.

2BR/1-1/2BA ON CANAL with boat slip. Fenced yard, workshop/laundry room, stove and refrigerator, \$650/mo., includes water, sewer & trash, \$500/security deposit. Reference required. Call 228-255-1537 between 1:00p.m. & 7:00p.m.

IN DIAMONDHEAD 3/BR 1/BA \$600/mo 255-0403 or 669-4444.

150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

3 BDRM, 2 BATH HOME ON 5 acres high ceilings, close to town. Pet free. \$650/month. Key Properties, 467-0600.

3/BR 2/BA NEW CONSTRUCTION, 172 Felicity, \$775: 407A Citizen St., town home, 3/Br 2-1/2Ba, \$850: 322 St. Charles St., 3Br/2Ba, \$750: 634 Edna 3/Br 2/BA \$850. Call Char @ McIntyre Rapp Real Estate 467-3777.

3BR/2-FULL BATHS, FENCED yard, close to beach, all electric, pet/smoke free, \$750/month, \$750/deposit (353)394-4782.

3BR/3BA: 116 BOOKER, ACROSS from St. Stanislaus. Large wood frame, air/heat, hookups, no appliance, pet free, perfect for small business. \$650/month. 504-733-2416. Call after 5:00pm.

901 3RD. ST. B.S.L., 2BR/1BA, modern, all electric, pet/smoke free. \$450/mo. & deposit. 467-7270.

BAY ST. LOUIS: 1B/1B COTTAGE, block to bay, all electric, \$370/rent, \$370/deposit. 2B/2B house available Sep.-1st., cent a/c/heat, \$540/month, \$540/deposit. 2B/1B waterfront mobile home, \$330/month, \$330/deposit. Pet/smoke free. Sailfish Realty, 466-9947.

CLOSE TO BEACH: VERY SPECIAL 2 bdrm 2 bath home central h/air, large oaks, pet/free. \$650/mo. Key Properties, 467-0600.

IN WAVELAND: 2/BR, PET/FREE environment. 255-9397.

LIKE NEW 3 BR, 2 BA FROM \$750 per month. Century 21 of Diamondhead, 255-3550.

PASS CHRISTIAN 3/BR QUIET ST. fenced yard. Pets ok. 466-9134.

RENOVATED, GREAT SHADE 2/BR 1/BA, all electric, stove and refrigerator, furnished on bayou, quiet area. 6183 2nd St. off Harbor Dr. Sewer & garbage furnished. \$600/mo \$600/dep. 1 year lease. 467-8287.

WAVELAND: MARCIE ST. Very nice, brick 1800+/-3Br/2Ba/cent h&a. Fire plc/wash/dry. Comp/natio/hot tub/2 car garage/fenced yard. \$1000/mo/\$750/dep/pet free. H. Wheeler Realty Svc. 228-323-3695.

156 Lots/Acreage

100% OWNER FINANCING. White Cypress Lakes. Beautiful lots from 1 acre to 30 acres, waterfront available. Mobile homes allowed in certain areas and great fishing. Ten miles east of I-59, Carriere exit. Thirty miles from Bay St. Louis. 228-255-1790.

100X144 LOTS IN ESTABLISHED neighborhood. Lots located on 9th Street and Bismarts Street. Excellent location. \$30,000.00 each 100x144 lot. Call 228-467-4613 or 228-467-5662

2.5 ACRES ON WATER, \$35,000, financing available, \$2000 down, \$313.28 per month. Call Herb owner/agent. Coldwell Banker Alfonso Realty, (228)493-5095 or 467-1374.

228 WOODED ACRES-W/9 ACRE lake located within 30 minutes of Bay St. Louis, in Hancock Co., Ms. On Standard Dedeaux Rd. Property is all wooded with pecan orchard, hardwood bottom, pine uplands, trails through out, good hunting & beautiful homesites. \$1,975/acre. For more info please call Doug. Doug Rushing Realty, Inc. 601-876-3409 (day) 601-876-5310(night).

B.S.L. BY OWNER, NEAR Hospital, 310 Ninth St. between Turner & Seuboe. 107'x144' water, sewer and culvert on property. Graded & filled April 1997 and ready to build on. \$36,000. 467-1445

FOR SALE \$16,400 LOTS ON Whale, on water, off 603 & Central. Near Jordan River, will owner finance with 3,000 down & \$140/mo. Call at 323-8936.

LOT FOR SALE IN DIAMONDHEAD on Laa La Pl. by Twin Lakes \$4,900 228-586-5258.

MOBILE HOME SITE CLOSE TO town 100x100 corner lot. \$5000. Key Properties Inc. 467-0600

WATERFRONT LOTS IN Shoreline Park. 1 for \$9,000 or 2 for \$17,500 Call 669-4444 or 255-0403.

Henley Dumpsters

We offer Commercial Dumpster
Call 255-3082 or Fax 255-8005



ONLY 132,500 FOR THIS BRICK BEAUTY in area of new homes located near shopping. Offering 3 Bd., 2 Ba., home on quiet street has approx. 1,672 sq. ft. with entry foyer, fireplace, attractive cabinetry and covered back patio for those long summer nights! Call for your personal viewing today! (3B25)

RAISED HOME just off of Lower Bay Road on approx. one acre. Freshly painted, spic-n-span. 2 bd., 1 ba. home in very quiet area. \$69,900 (3B27)

GREAT LOCATION within waking distance to the beach offering 3 Bd., 2.5 Ba., approx. 2,000 sq. ft. on large lot. Great room with floor to ceiling windows, vaulted ceiling and fireplace. Separate living/dining area in the front. Easy to view.... Reduced to \$184,000 (3B17)

SUPER HOME at super elevation. Short walk to the beach from this 3 bd., 2 ba., 2,218 sq. ft. home. Spacious with tons of storage. Reduced to \$170,000.(3B1)

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Monthly/Weekly Rentals Available!
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158 Commercial Property

603 SOUTH BOUND ONLY 2 MINS. to Super Walmart. Prime Corner 100x170 \$150,000. 3-lots approx. 100x170 \$85,000 each. Lots are cleared, filled, ready to build, city sewer & water 493-3303.

FOR RENT, 1500 SQ. FT. OFFICE space, Hwy. 90, Waveland. 467-3935.

HWY. 90 WAVELAND, Watertower Plaza, next door to Waveland Police Department & Hancock County Port & Harbor. \$595/mo. Call Herb @ Coldwell Banker Alfonso, 467-0244.

OFFICE & RETAIL SPACE available: Choctaw Village, Waveland Ms. Phone 228-255-4396 or Pager 228-883-8554.

159 Houses For Sale

2 WAVELAND HOMES NEAR Beach. 215 Pine Ridge/410 West 4th, (off Sears). 3Br/2Ba, remodeled, very cute! Owner finance possible with down payment. 985-863-3020 (Slidel)

BEAUTIFUL WATERFRONT. Colorful sunsets. This fixer upper will go fast! Low 50's. Call at 504-254-4475.

CUSTOM BUILD HOMES FOR SALE: 3BR/2BA, high ceilings, fireplace, possible financing available. 586-0702 or 493-5496.

DESIRABLE LOCATION. "BEST BUY". B.S.L. Large brick on corner lot, 3BR/2BA, large living area, fireplace, plus huge bonus room. All new interior, carpet, ceramic tile, paint, etc. Below market value at \$129,500. 400 7th St. at Turner. Call owner 216-5701 or 452-0949.

FOR SALE \$98,000: 4043 Barracudas St. 1,280 sq. ft., 2/2 on water w/double lot. Near Jordan River, will owner finance with \$4,000 down & \$795/mo. Call Rodney at 332-8936 or 466-5205.

I WILL PAY TOP \$ FOR YOUR PROPERTY, any condition. Will pay all closing costs. Agents protected. O/A. (504)908-7653.

IN KILN MS., 4BR/2BA BRICK HOME 100% financing asking \$91,000. 228-216-2625.

NO CREDIT CHECK \$800/MONTH. Owner financing. Presently being build. Model on Margie Dr., Waveland. New 3Br/2Ba, brick, cathedral ceiling. Cost \$125,000, \$6,000/down. Gold Coast, 228-467-4479.

NORTHCHILL SUBDIVISION, Picayune, Ms. 8-mo. old. 4Br/2-1/2Ba, 2-story on lake, custom build with extras, beautiful wrought iron fence. \$299,000. 601-749-9013.

Wanna House?
NO DOWN PAYMENT?
NO PROBLEM!
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JACK@coastandcountry.com
467-9111 EXT 11

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Bay St. Louis City Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday August 19, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. to determine if the following described property should be declared a menace to the public health, safety and welfare:
WELDON FROMMEYER - Block 1 Lots 3 thru 7 First Ward Bay St. Louis Hancock County, Mississippi parcel #136H-1-37-04B & 136H-1-37-04C, #137H-1-37-04A 003 & 136H-1-37-04A 002 said to be owned by Weldon Frommeyer on the Hancock County tax rolls.
PAULA C. FAIRCOURT
CLERK OF COUNCIL
08/07/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PAUL HALL
CAUSE NO. 2003-523
ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PAUL HALL

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 9th day of July 2003, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Paul deceased notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.
This 10th day of July 2003
ALICE R. HALL
Administratrix of the Estate of Paul Hall
07/17/07/24/07/31/08/07/03

Public Notices

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on May 12, 1997, a certain Deed of Trust was executed by Ethel E. Evans, as grantor in favor of Unity Mortgage Corp. dba The Reverse Mortgage Company, as beneficiary and Alfred R. Koenen, as trustee and was recorded on May 21, 1997 in Deed of Trust Book 482 at Page 543 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and WHEREAS, the deed of trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing, and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary pursuant to an assignment dated August 8, 2001 and recorded August 13, 2001 in Book 647 at Page 379, in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Deed of Trust in that the payment due on October 14, 2001, was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency, and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of May 3, 2003 is \$69,259.75, and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751, et seq., by 24 CFR Part 27, sub part B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on June 13, 2003 in Book BB264 at Page 327, notice is hereby given that on August 12, 2003 between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises located at 249 Farrar Lane Waveland, Mississippi ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder.

Commencing at a point where the Southwest line of Farrar Street intersects the Southeast line of Central Avenue (formerly Railroad Avenue) in the Third Ward of the Town of Waveland, Mississippi, thence South 45 degrees East 1296 feet along the Southwest line of Farrar Street to an iron stake as a place of beginning; thence South 45 degrees West 131 9 feet more or less, to the line between Lots 42 and 44; thence South 44 degrees 30 minutes East 100 feet along the line between Lot 42 and 44; thence North 45 degrees East 132 7 feet more or less, to an iron stake on the Southwest side of Farrar Street; thence North 45 degrees West 100 feet to the place of beginning; said land being part of Lot 42, Third Ward, Town of Waveland Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat thereon on file in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Together with all and singular, the rights, privileges, improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining. The sale will be held at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay at or before closing, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. The bid amount must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check if the Secretary is the high bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title.

There is not right of redemption or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgage or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The amount that must be paid if the Mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is the loan balance, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage has not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses included in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement. Dated: June 18, 2003
John C. Underwood Jr.
Foreclosure Commissioner
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Public Notices

STRUCTURED TRUSTS'S NOTICE OF SALE

REAS the undersigned, as Trustee of the trust created by deed dated 1987 between Mr and Mrs and his wife Gladys T. Brannett, for the benefit of Hibema National Bank, Inc., as beneficiary of said trust, do hereby certify that the said trust was duly recorded in Book 636 at Page 262 and modified in Book 689 at Page 578 of the office of the Chancery Clerk of County of Hancock, State of Maryland.

REAS the aforesaid deed of trust was assigned to Federal National Mortgage Association instrument dated June 17, 2003 and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk in Book 711 at Page 950 and

REAS the aforesaid Federal National Mortgage Association instrument was amended by the note secured thereby substituted C Underwood Jr. as Trustee therein as authorized by the terms thereof by instrument dated June 23, 2003 and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk in Book 774 at Page 835 and

REAS default having been made in the payments of principal and interest due under the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the debt secured thereby having been required to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and the assignment of said debt to the Federal National Mortgage Association, having requested the Sheriff of Suburban Baltimore County to sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder

county for cash to the highest bidder and
 within legal hours (being between the hours
 of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main floor
 of the County Courtroom at Bay St. Louis
 City of Hancock, State of Mississippi the fol-
 lowing described property situated in the County
 of Hancock, State of Mississippi: to wit:
 Block 19 Unit 10 Damondhead Phase
 according to the map or plat thereof recorded
 in Book 4 at Pages 60-63 inclusive in the
 of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County
 Mississippi.
 CONVEY any such title as is vested in
 the Substituted Trustee
 BY HIS SIGNATURE this 24th day
 of May 2003
 C Underwood JR
 SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
 BY RD03056301
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TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS the foregoing Deed of Trust was duly assigned to Mid State Trust IV, a business trust by instrument recorded in Book 752 page 69-70 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the State of Mississippi;

of Trust having requested the undersigned
to go to and to file on the 13th day of August
for sale for said property and sell the same
at regular hours between the hours of 11:00 A.M.
and 4:00 P.M. at the main front door of the
Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay
County, Mississippi for cash to the highest and
best of the following described land
situated in Hancock County, Mississippi
to-wit: Lots 47 and 48 in Block 2, Pringleton Estates
in the County of Hancock, Mississippi, and
said subdivision on file in the Office of the
County Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Witness my hand and seal this 9th day of August
2003.

W Stewart Robison Trustee
02/17/03 02:07:03 (1/8/03)

for the benefit of BankPlus, a Mississippi bank corporation which said David of Trust is a resident in Land Trust Deed Record Book 100, pages 315-321 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi and the REAS said David of Trust authorized the REAS and Substitution of another Trustee in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi and BankPlus a Mississippi banking corporation pursuant to the terms of said David of Trust substituted G. Gerald Calkins as Trustee in the place of M. D. Taitle, Jr. by written instrument dated August 29th 1993 and recorded in Trust Deed Record Book 147, Pages 121 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi and the REAS declared that he made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as stated by said David of Trust and having been tested by the legal holder of the indebtedness and the conditions and stipulations as stated in notice is hereby given that I, G. Gerald Calkins, Substituted Trustee by virtue of the notice contained upon me in said David of Trust will offer for sale and conveyance to the highest and best bidder for cash during the legal hours between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the front of the County Courthouse of Hancock County Mississippi on the 29th day of August 1993 the following timberland land and property being the same tract of property described in said David of Trust recorded in Hancock County State of Mississippi.

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2001 Kathryn Adams was a single woman executed a Deed in Trust to Lem Adams III Trustee for the use and benefit of Optima One Mortgage Company as Trustee of the Deed of Trust in full force and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 660 at Page 899 and

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was assigned to Fargro Bank Minnesota N.A. as Trustee registered Assignor of Optima One Mortgage Company as Trustee of the Deed of Trust Contained in 2001-D by Holdings of title and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 749 at Page 100 and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth in said Deed of Trust and having been caused by the failure of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to duly observe is hereby given that I Lem Adams III Trustee by notice of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust will offer for sale well set apart public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash during the legal hours of business between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday November 19, 2001 my Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi on the 15th day of August 2003 the following described land and property being the same and more particularly described as follows:

To-wit Hancock County State of Mississippi

City of Bay St Louis, Mississippi as the official seal of said City and rear ward thereof by E S Drake CE and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County on May 1 1923

to the above described property is believed to be good but I will convey only such title as is held in me as Trustee

NESS my signature on this the 14th day of May 1933

LEM ADAMS III
TRUSTEE

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Entertainment

Serenity showcases 'Dark Matter'

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Local photographer Ray Kutos will present a collection of his work entitled "Dark Matter" during Second Saturday on Aug. 9 at Serenity Gallery.

His interest in astrology encouraged the title of the collection, which will be on display from 5 to 8 p.m.

Kutos read in a cosmology book that 95 percent of universe is not visible to human eye.

"This book made me take another look at my photography," he said.

He said this book, which offered the title "Dark Matter," seemed like a metaphor for the idea of art, which encourages the viewer to look at what is under the surface of things.



Ray Kutos, above, will present a collection of his photography, entitled "Dark Matter," during Second Saturday on Aug. 9 at Serenity Gallery in Bay St. Louis.

"Dark doesn't mean bad," he said. "It could mean magic."

With his current photog-

raphy collection, Kutos said he wants to "provoke thought as to what lies beneath the surface."

"In the photography I do, I'm not interested in making pretty pictures," he said. "I'm trying to make an emotional statement with the photograph."

To help viewers find a meaning in his work, Kutos entitles each photograph.

"Titles lead the viewer to look at the picture in a certain way," he said. "(However), I really don't think that there is (just) one meaning in these works."

His collection of about 25 images includes everything from photos of cemeteries to sequences of pictures that show a story. While some photos are new, many are 10 to 15 years old.

Kutos became involved with photography as a student in Chicago at the American Conservatory of Music in 1965.

Second Saturday Artwalk set Aug. 9

HOT SPOTS COURT STREET STATION, 200 SOUTH BEACH BLVD.

Court Street Station will be featuring artist Betsy Burgess. Pass Christian artist Burgess will be showing her latest porch and yard art.

Other local artists will be displaying their work as well. Fun for the kids will be face painting, balloon art and caricature drawings.

Live music will played on

and off throughout the day. At 6 p.m. the Cabaret Dinner Theater will present "A Couple a White Chicks Sitting Around Talking." This play shows opposites attract a lot of trouble and a lot of laughs.

Please call (228) 467-3636 for additional information about this play.

Hot fresh beignets will be available all day. A food cart will be serving items on the patio.

Our dining room will be open, please join us for a

delightful dining experience.

THE PURPLE SNAPPER, 111A MAIN STREET

"It's a Small World" when well known coast artist Sory Yager introduces her new line of acrylic miniatures on Saturday, Aug. 9. Best known for her watercolors, Sory enjoys experimenting in other mediums.

The new acrylic miniatures encompass scenes ranging from African wildlife, French country life

and the Gulf Coast.

In addition to Yager's paintings this outstanding gallery shows the work of over 30 local artists.

Sory will be present at the gallery from 5 to 8 p.m. to meet the public and discuss her work.

Peoples Bank will sponsor the music of The Waders in the 100 Block of Main Street.

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'Bam on the Beach'

THE SEA COAST ECHO
Join Alden and Emeril Lagasse for a summer evening celebrating the local flavors of the Gulf South on Sunday, Aug. 10, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Grand Casino Event Center in Gulfport.

"Bam on the Beach" is a wine and food experience featuring a cooking demonstration by Chef Emeril, entertainment by Doc Gibbs and Picante, and cuisine from Emeril's NOLA, Emeril's Delmonico and many other coast and regional fine restaurants.

During the evening, Chef Emeril will demonstrate how to prepare Gulf Shrimp Ceviche, Creole Broiled Trout and Flambeed Bananas with Drunken Monkey Ice Cream.

At the event, guests can taste delicious select wines and Champagne, savor

delectable dishes from twenty of the Coast's renowned restaurants and sample pecans, pate, gulf shrimp, micro-greens and cheese prepared by fine food purveyors. Doc Gibbs who performs on "Emeril Live" and his band Picante will entertain guests following the cooking demonstration.

Chef Emeril will live auction four on-stage seats for his cooking demonstration; a New Orleans weekend for two including accommodations and dining at his three restaurants; and two tickets for a Dec. 5 dinner at the LaGasse home in New Orleans with special guest Andre Agassi. Silent auction items include getaways to Atlanta and Las Vegas and a seven-day Carnival Cruise; Emeril cookware, cookbooks and apparel; signed, framed paintings and fine jewelry.

General admission tickets are \$100 per person and reserved seats begin at \$500 for two people. The event is for adults only. Proceeds benefit the WINGS Performing Arts and Education Center at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center.

Raffle tickets for \$25 each offer the winner a trip to New York for "Emeril Live" including airfare on AirTran Airways and two nights hotel accommodations, winner does not have to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center at 228-897-6039, or by going online at www.lmdc.org.

For more information about giving opportunities call the Discovery Center at 228-897-6039.

Doc Gibbs workshop is Saturday

THE SEA COAST ECHO
Doc Gibbs, musical director for Emeril Live!, will conduct his percussion workshop on Saturday, August 9, 3:00-4:30, at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center in Gulfport.

The workshop is free and is open to adults and students.

Gibbs is one of the most sought after percussionists in the music industry today. The workshop is educational, informative and involves participants in an exciting 45-minute journey of the drum using instruments from Africa, Brazil and the Caribbean. Doc Gibbs will be doing a drum and per-

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